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# THE QUATRAINS

OF

## OMAR KHAYYÁM.

THE PERSIAN TEXT WITH AN ENGLISH VERSE TRANSLATION.

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. . . . . . . . " A mind

Not wholly clear, nor wholly blind.

Too keen to rest, too weak to find,

That travails sore, and brings forth wind."

M. ARNOLD.

## INTRODUCTION.

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GHIÁS Uddín Abul Fath Omar bin Ibrahím Al Khayyám was a native of Nishapúr, one of the principal cities of Khorásan. According to the preface of the Calcutta MS., he died in 517 A.H., during the reign of Sultan Sanjar. The date of his birth is nowhere mentioned, but he was contemporary with Nizám ul Mulk, the celebrated Wazir of the Seljuk kings Alp Arslan and Malik Shah; and Nizám ul Mulk has left the following notice of him in his Wasáyá, or Testament\*:—

"Imam Muaffik of Nishapur—(may Allah rest his soul!)—was one of the most learned men in Khorasan, and was held in the highest honour and reverence. He lived to over eighty-five years of age, and it was the common opinion that all youths who read the Koran, and learned the Traditions under him, would attain to wealth and fortune. For this cause my father sent me, in charge of the lawyer 'Abd us Samad, from Tus to Nishapur, in order that I might apply myself to study and discipline

<sup>\*</sup> This passage is preserved in Mirkhond's History of the Assassins, in Khondemir's Habib us Siyar, and in the Dabistán. It is given in full in Notices et Extraits des MSS., ix. 143.

in the class of that eminent person. He on his part regarded me with affection, and I for mine showed such attachment and devotion to his service that I continued with him for the space of four years. There had lately joined his class Hakim Omar Khayyam, and that miscreant Hasan ibn Sabah, both of whom were of the same age as I was, and equally remarkable for excellence of intelligence and power of intellect. We became friends, and when we went out from the Imam's class we used to repeat to one another the lesson we had just heard . . . . One day that miscreant Hasan said to us,—'It is the general opinion that the disciples of Imam Muaffik attain to fortune, and no doubt one of us will do so, even though all may not. What agreement or compact is there now between us?' I said, 'Whatever you please.' He answered, 'Whichever of us may attain to fortune shall share it with the others, and not engross it himself.' We agreed to these terms, and a compact was made accordingly. Time passed on. I went from Khorasán to Máwará un Nahr and Ghazní and Kábul. and on my return I was preferred to the post of Wazir to Sultan Alp Arslan (455 A.H.). At that time Hakim Omar Khayyam came to me, and in regard to him I carried out all the requirements of the compact, and the obligations of my engagement. On his arrival I received him with all honour and distinction, and afterwards I said to him, 'A man of your ability ought to be a servant of the Sultan, and since, according to our agreement, while we were with Imam Muaffik, I am bound to share my position with you, I will recount your merits to the Sultan, and will so impress on his

mind your abilities and attainments, that you shall be preferred to a post of trust like mine.' But Hakím replied (after compliments), 'The greatest favour you can do me is to let me live in retirement, where, under your protection, I may occupy myself in amassing the riches of learning and in praving for your long life.' And to this language he steadfastly adhered. When I perceived that he spoke in sincerity, and not out of mere etiquette, I assigned him a yearly stipend of 1200 gold miscals, payable from the Nishapur treasury. He then went back to Nishapur, and applied himself to the study of the sciences, especially astronomy, in which he afterwards attained a high degree of accomplishment. Later on, in the reign of Sultan Malikshah (465 to 485 A.H.). he came to Merv, in the height of his philosophical repute; and the Sultan conferred many favours upon him, and raised him to the highest posts attainable by men of science."

Nizám ul Mulk goes on to recount the subsequent history of Hasan Sabah,—how by his aid Hasan obtained a post at court, and repaid his kindness by intriguing against him,—how Hasan then fled from Khorásán, and joined the infamous sect of Ismailians, or Assasins, and afterwards became their chief, under the name of Shaikh ub Jabal, or Old Man of the Mountain.

This narrative reads so circumstantially that one can hardly do otherwise than accept it, but in that case Nizám ul Mulk's birth must be placed at least twenty years latér than 408,\* the date given both by Ibn

<sup>\*</sup> See Vuller's Geschichte der Seldschuken, p. 107, note.

Khallikan and Abul Faraj; or else the accepted dates of Omar's and Hasan's deaths (517 and 518 A.H.) must be abandoned for others at least twenty years earlier.

Omar's appointment at Merv mentioned by Nizám ul Mulk was, as we learn from Abul Feda, that of Astronomer Royal. Whilst holding this office Omar compiled some astronomical tables called Zij i Maliksháhi, of which mention is made by Haji Khalfa, and in collaboration with seven other astronomers effected a reform of the old Persian Calendar, somewhat similar to the reform of the Julian Calendar, made under the auspices of Pope Gregory XIII. five centuries afterwards. The object of both reforms was to make the civil year coincide more exactly with the cycle of the seasons, and in both instances this object was sought to be accomplished by an improved system of intercalation. M. Reinaud, the editor of Abul Feda's Geography, says that some authorities even prefer Omar's system to that adopted by Pope Gregory.\* The amended reckoning ran from the 10th Ramazán, 471 A.H., and was called Taríkh i Jaláli, after the reigning monarch, Sultan Jaláluddin Maliksháh.

Omar was also highly distinguished as a mathematician. A work of his on Algebra has been edited and translated by M. Woepke of Bonn, and another, "On the Difficulties of Euclid's Definitions," is preserved in the Leyden Library. His work on Algebra enjoyed a high reputation for several centuries. Ibn Khaldun

<sup>\*</sup> See Reinaud, Geographie d'Abulfeda, Prolegomena, p. ci.

refers to it in his Prolegomena, and Haji Khalfa quotes the commencement. M. Woepke praises him for his power of generalization and his rigorously systematic procedure.

In his preface M. Woepke quotes from a MS. in the Bibliothèque Nationale, an abridgment of a notice of Omar in Shahrastáni's Taríkh ul Hukama. As Shahrastáni was born in 479 A.H., and during some part of his life resided at Nishapur,\* he is a very good authority for the facts recorded by him, though it is evident he was no friend to Omar. The passage is as follows:—

"Omar Al Khavyám, Imám of Khorásán, and the greatest scholar of his time, was versed in all the learning of the Greeks. He was wont to exhort men to seek the One Author of all by purifying the bodily actions in order to the sanctification of the soul. He also used to recommend the study of Politics as laid down in Greek authors. The later Sufis have caught at the apparent sense of parts of his poems and accommodated them to their own Canon, making them a subject of discussion in their assemblies and conventicles, but the esoteric sense consists in axioms of natural religion and principles of universal obligation. When the men of his time anathematized his doctrines, and drew forth his opinions from the concealment in which he had veiled them, he went in fear of his life, and placed a check on the sallies of his tongue and his pen. He made the pilgrimage, but it was from accident rather than piety, still betraying his

<sup>\*</sup> See Haarbrücher's translation of the Kitab al Milal wan Nihal, Preface, p. xi.

unorthodox views. On his arrival at Baghdad the men who prosecuted the same ancient studies as he flocked to meet him, but he shut the door in their faces, as one who had renounced those studies and cultivated them no longer. On his return to his native city he made a practice of attending the morning and evening prayers, and of disguising his private opinions, but for all that they were no secret. In astronomy and in philosophy he was without a rival, and his eminence in those sciences would have passed into a proverb had he only possessed self-control."

Shahrastáni's view of Omar's character appears to have been the one generally accepted by the literary men of Islam, as Abul Feda, who lived about 200 years later, writes much in the same strain, lamenting his being so much addicted to poetry and pleasure.

In an essay by the celebrated Ghazzáli of Tús, who was, like Shahrastáni, a contemporary of Omar's, there is a passage in which Omar is not improbably referred to as an example of the sceptical habit of mind induced by scientific pursuits.\*

The following story of Omar in his old age is given in the preface to the Calcutta MS. on the authority of Nizámi of Samarkand, one of his disciples:—

"I chanced to meet Maulana Omar in a garden, and in course of conversation he said, 'My tomb shall be in a certain place where each breath of the north wind shall shower down roses upon it.' I marvelled at

<sup>\*</sup> See Schmölders, Essai sur les écoles philosophiques chez les Arabes, p. 115. Ghazzáli was born in 450.

that saying, thinking that he spoke idly. Afterwards I came to Nishapur on many occasions and visited his tomb, and it was outside a garden, and the fruit trees reached out their branches over the wall of the garden, and had dropped their blossoms over his tomb, so that it was hidden beneath them."

#### II.

The great difficulty in the way of arriving at a satisfactory text of Omar's poems arises from the exceeding variety and discrepancy of the materials. We look in vain for anything approaching to a "Textus Receptus." What may be called the Lower Bengal family of MSS., represented by the Asiatic Society's MS., the two India Office MSS., and the Calcutta edition, do indeed offer a tolerably uniform text, but their claim to be the best representatives of the genuine text is overthrown by their want of agreement with the Persian and Oude MSS. The Persian MSS, do not even agree with one another, the Bodleian MS., which was written at Shiráz in 865 A.H. being altogether different from the MS. lithographed at Teheran and afterwards reprinted by M. Nicolas. The Oude, or Upper India MSS., again, to which belong the one lithographed at Lucknow, and probably also the Cambridge MS., include a very large number of quatrains not found elsewhere. The number of quatrains seems to increase in proportion to the modernness of the MS. Thus the old Bodleian MS. contains only 158, and the two Paris MSS. (which are both of the tenth century) only 175 and 213, while the modern Cambridge copy contains no less than 801. A lady who has collated all the MSS. of Omar in Europe tells me she has found in one place and another no less than 1200 quatrains attributed to him. She has, howeven in an article in Frazer for May 1879, expressed the opinion that the number of genuine quatrains is not more than 250 or 300, and I am inclined to think this estimate high enough. But when one comes to consider which particular quatrains are to be pronounced genuine, and which imitations, it is not always easy to form a confident decision. The state of the case is this: -Out of all the quatrains passing under Omar's name hardly any stand alone. Almost every one belongs to a family, more or less numerous, to the other members of which it bears a strong family likeness. One can say with some confidence that all these replicas, paraphrases and variations of the same ideas can hardly be the work of one and the same hand; but to distinguish with certainty the handiwork of the master from that of his imitators is a task probably beyond the powers of any foreign critic living 800 years after the poems in question were written.

In this difficulty, the rule I follow is to give what seem the best specimens of each class of quatrains, and to exclude the rest. In accordance with this rule, I exclude, in particular, a large number of quatrains in praise of wine, and exhortations to live for the day, which recur in the MSS. with most wearisome frequency. I cannot of course feel sure that the quatrains I retain are in all cases the identical ones written by Omar; all I pretend to do is to give samples of each class of quatrains attributed to him.

Another cognate difficulty is this, that many of the quatrains ascribed to Omar are also attributed to other poets. I have marked a few of these in the notes, and, doubtless, careful search would bring many more to light. It might be supposed that the character of the language employed would be sufficient to differentiate the work of Omar at any rate from that of poets writing two or three centuries after his time, but, as observed by Chodzko, the literary Persian of 800 years ago differs singularly little from that now in use. Again, if, as has been supposed, there were anything exceptional in Omar's poetry, it might be possible to identify it by internal evidence; but the fact is that all Persian poetry runs very much in grooves, and Omar's is no exception. The poetry of rebellion and revolt from orthodox opinions, which is supposed to be peculiar to him, may be traced in the works of his predecessor Avicenna, as well as in those of Afzul Káshi, and others of his successors. For these reasons I have not excluded any quatrains on account of their being ascribed to other writers as well as Omar. So long as I find fair MS. authority for such quatrains, I include them in the text, not because I am sure Omar wrote them, but because it is just as likely they were written by him as by the other claimants. Of course a text formed on these principles cannot be a very satisfactory one, but, on the other hand, it is useless for an editor to pretend to greater certainty than the case admits of

The text has been framed from a comparison of the following authorities:—.

- I. The Bodleian MS., No. 140 of the Ouseley Collection, containing 158 quatrains.
- II. The Calcutta Asiatic Society's MS., No. 1548, containing 516 quatrains.
- KI. The India Office MS., No. 2420, ff. 212 to 267, containing 512 quatrains.
- IV. The India Office MS., No. 2486, ff. 158 to 194, containing 362 quatrains.
- V. The Calcutta edition of 1252 A.H., containing 438 quatrains, with an appendix of 54 more, which the editor says he found in a *Bayáz*, or common-place book, after the others had been printed.
- VI. The Paris edition of M. Nicolas, containing 464 quatrains.

VII. The Lucknow lithographed edition, containing 763 quatrains.

VIII. A fragment of an edition begun by the late Mr. Blochmann, containing only 62 quatrains.

I have also consulted the Cambridge MS., for the purpose of settling one or two readings, but have not collated it throughout.

I have not given the various readings, except in cases of special importance. For every reading in the text there is MS. authority of some kind or other: there are only two cases, or three at the most, in which I have been driven to "the desperate resource of a conjecture," and these are indicated in the notes. The authorities for each quatrain are also given in the notes.

In editing the text, I have paid special attention to the prosody, marking all poetical contractions, and noting all peculiarities of metre and scansion. I have also made a point of marking the izáfat wherever it occurs. "The omission of this," says Lumsden, "is undoubtedly a great defect in Persian writing, insomuch that I am not certain whether it has not been the cause of more obscurity than would result from the omission of all the prepositions."

There is some difference of precept and practice as to the proper way of marking the izúfat after the semivowels. For instance, some grammarians, speaking loosely, say that after alif, waw and silent he, the izáfat is expressed by hamza or ya. What they mean to say is, by hamza i maksúr, or ya i maksur, - "kasra bearing" hamza or ya. One has only to scan a verse containing one of these hamzas or yas to see that they are always followed by kasra expressed or understood. For the izáfat, wherever it occurs, invariably adds a syllable to the word preceding it, and no Persian syllable consists of less than one consonant and one vowel. The fact is, the izáfat, when expressed, is always expressed by kasra. If the preceding letter be silent he, hamza is substituted for it, because, as Vullers says, silent he "tenuior est quam ut vocalem ferre queat." So if the preceding letter be alif or waw, used as letters of prolongation. "littera ya euphonica in fine adjicitur qua genitivi signum i accipiat." And for this ya, hamza is often substituted.

So far the matter is pretty plain, but as regards the *izáfat* after words ending in ya there is more room for doubt. Lumsden says the *izáfat* in this case ought to be written with a *kasra*, Vullers with *kasra*, *hamza* being sometimes superscribed, sometimes not, Mirza Ibrahim with *hamza* only. Brockhaus, in his *Hafiz*,

writes kasra after ya used as a consonant, as in such words as pay and ruy, but hamza or hamza i makeur after ya used as a letter of prolongation, as in words like sáki. Blochmann, on the other hand, says the use of hamza in this last case is wrong, because "it reduces the va to a mere vowel," i.e. prevents it serving as a consonant to support the kasra following. I venture to question this dictum, because it is controverted by Blochmann's own practice (Prosody, p. 95, Example 5), and because there is good MS. authority for the use of humza in this case. For my part, I believe that it is allowable to mark the izafát after ya of any kind with kasra or hamza i maksúr indifferently. In the first case, the ya itself serves as a consonant supporting the kasra; in the second, the hamza seems to be substituted for the ya, just as it is substituted for silent he. Availing myself of this option, I always write kasra for the izáfat after ya, whether the ya be a consonant or a letter of prolongation. In the latter case, the long vowel is dissolved in scanning into its component letters i and y, and the y is set free to support the kasra of the izafat following it.

#### III.

Omar is a poet who can hardly be translated satisfactorily otherwise than in verse. Prose does well enough for narrative or didactic poetry, where the main things to be reproduced are the matter and substance; but it is plainly contra-indicated in the case of poetry like Omar's, where the matter is little else than "the commonplaces of the lyric ode and the tragic chorus,"

and where nearly the whole charm consists in the style and the manner, the grace of the expression and the melody of the versification. A literal prose version of such poetry must needs be unsatisfactory, because it studiously ignores the chief points in which the attractiveness of the original consists, and deliberately renounces all attempt to reproduce them.

In deciding on the form to be taken by a new translation of Omar, the fact of the existence of a previous verse translation of universally acknowledged merit ought not, of course, to be left out of account. The successor of a translator like Mr. Fitzgerald, who ventures to write verse, and especially verse of the metre which he has handled with such success, cannot help feeling at almost every step that he is provoking comparisons very much to his own disadvantage. But I do not think this consideration ought to deter him from using the vehicle which everything else indicates as the proper one.

As regards metre, there is no doubt that the quatrain of ten-syllable lines which has been tried by Hammer, Bicknell, and others, and has been raised by Mr. Fitzgerald almost to the rank of a recognised English metre, is the best representative of the Rubá'í. It fairly satisfies Conington's canon, viz. that there ought to be some degree of metrical conformity between the measure of the original and the translation, for though it does not exactly correspond with the Rubá'í, it very clearly suggests it. In particular, it copies what is perhaps the most marked feature of the Rubá'í,—the interlinking of the four lines by the repetition in the fourth

line of the rhyme of the first and second. Mr. Swinburne's modification of this metre, in which the rhyme is carried on from one quatrain to the next, is not applicable to poems like Omar's, all of which are isolated in sense from the context. Alexandrines would of course correspond, more nearly than decasyllables, with Rubá'í lines in number of syllables, and they have been extensively used by Bodenstedt and other German translators of Rubá'is, but, whatever may be the case in German, they are apt to read very heavily in English, even when constructed by skilful verse-makers, and an inferior workman can hardly hope to manage them with anything like success. The shorter length of the decasyllable line is not altogether a disadvantage to the translator. Owing to the large number of monosyllables in English, it is generally adequate to hold the contents of a Persian line a syllable or two longer; and a line erring, if at all, on the side of brevity, has at any rate the advantage of obliging the translator to eschew modern diffuseness, and of making him try to copy the " classical parsimony," the archaic terseness and condensation of the original.

The poet Cowper has a remark on translation from Latin which is eminently true also of translation from Persian. He says, "That is epigrammatic and witty in Latin which would be perfectly insipid in English. . . . . If a Latin poem is neat, elegant and musical, it is enough, but English readers are not so easily satisfied." Much of Omar's matter, when literally translated, seems very trite and commonplace, many of the "conceits," of which he is so fond, very frigid, and even his peculiar

grotesque humour often loses its savour in an English replica. The translator is often tempted to elevate a too grovelling sentiment, to "sharpen a point" here and there, to trick out a commonplace with some borrowed modern embellishment. But this temptation is one to be resisted as far as possible. According to the Hadis, "the business of a messenger is simply to deliver his message," and he must not shrink from displaying the naked truth. A translator who writes in verse must of course claim the liberty of altering the form of the expression over and over again, but the substituted expressions ought to be in keeping with the author's style, and on the same plane of sentiment as his. It is beyond the province of a translator to attempt the task of "painting the lily." But it is easier to lay down correct principles of translation than to observe them unswervingly in one's practice.

#### IV.

As regards subject matter, Omar's quatrains may be classed under the following six heads:—

- I. Shikayat i rozgár—Complaints of "the wheel of heaven," or fate, of the world's injustice, of the loss of friends, of man's limited faculties and destinies.
- II. Hajw—Satires on the hypocrisy of the "unco' guid," the impiety of the pious, the ignorance of the learned, and the untowardness of his own generation.
- III. Firákiya and Wisáliya—Love-poems on the sorrows of separation and the joys of reunion with the Beloved, earthly or spiritual.

- IV. Báháríya—Poems in praise of spring, gardens and flowers.
- V. Kufriya—Irreligious and antinomian utterances, charging the sins of the creature to the account of the Urator, scoffing at the Prophet's Paradise and Hell, singing the praises of wine and pleasure—preaching ad nauseam, "Eat and drink (especially drink), for to-morrow ye die."

VI. Munáját—Addresses to the Deity, now in the ordinary language of devotion, bewailing sins and imploring pardon, now in mystical phraseology, craving deliverance from "self," and union with the "Truth" (Al Hakk), or Deity, as conceived by the Mystics.

The "complaints" may obviously be connected with the known facts of the poet's life, by supposing them to have been prompted by the persecution to which he was subjected on account of his opinions. His remarks on the Houris and other sacred subjects raised such a feeling against him that at one time his life was in danger, and the wonder is that he escaped at all in a city like Nishapur, where the odium theologicum raged so fiercely as to occasion a sanguinary civil war. In the year 489 A.H., as we learn from Ibn Al Athir,\* the orthodox banded themselves together under the leadership of Abul Kasim and Muhammad, the chiefs of the Hanefites and the Shafeites, in order to exterminate the Kerrámians or Anthropomorphist heretics, and succeeded in putting many of them to death, and in destroying all their establishments. It may be also that after the

<sup>\*</sup> See Defrémery, Recherches sur le règne de Barkiárok, p. 51.

death of his patron Nizam ul Mulk, Omar lost his stipend, and was reduced to poverty.

The satires probably owed their origin to the same cause. Rien soulage comme la rhétorique, and if Omar could not relieve his feelings by open abuse of his persecutors, he made up for it by the bitterness of his verses. The bitterness of his strictures on them was no doubt fully equalled by the rancour of their attacks upon him.

The love-poems are samples of a class of compositions much commoner in later poets than in Omar. Most of them probably bear a mystical meaning, for I doubt if Omar was a person very susceptible of the tender passion. He speaks with appreciation of "tulip cheeks" and "cypress forms," but apparently recognises no attractions of a higher order in his fair friends.

The poems in praise of scenery again offer a strong contrast to modern treatment of the same theme. The only aspects of nature noticed by Omar are such as affect the senses agreeably—the bright flowers, the song of the nightingale, the grassy bank of the stream, and the shady garden associated in his mind with his convivial parties. The geographer translated by Sir W. Ouseley says of Nishapur, "The city is watered by a subterranean canal, which is conveyed to the fields and gardens, and there is a considerable stream that waters the city and the villages about it—this stream is named Saka. In all the province of Khorasan there is not any city larger than Nishapur, nor any blessed with a more pure and temperate air." No doubt it was some of these gardens that called forth Omar's encomiums.

But it is in the Kufriya, or antinomian quatrains, and in the Munajat, or pious aspirations, that the most remarkable and characteristic features of Omar's poetry are exhibited. The glaring contrast between these two classes of his poetry has led his readers to take very opposite views of him, according as they looked at one or the other side of the shield. European critics, like his contemporaries, mostly consider him an infidel and a voluptuary "of like mind with Sardanapalus." On the other hand, the Sufis have contrived to affix mystical and devotional meanings even to his most Epicurean quatrains; and this method of interpretation is nowadays as universally accepted in Persia and India as the mystical interpretation of the Canticles is in Europe. But neither of these views can be accepted in its entirety. Even if the Sufi symbolism had been definitely formulated as early as Omar's time, which is very doubtful, common sense would forbid us to force a devotional meaning on the palpably Epicurean quatrains; and, on the other hand, unless we are prepared to throw over the authority of all the MSS., including the most ancient ones, we must reckon with the obviously mystical and devotional quatrains. The essential contradiction in the tone and temper of these two sections of Omar's poetry cannot be glossed over, but imperatively calls for explanation.

His poems were obviously not all written at one period of his life, but from time to time, just as circumstance and mood suggested, and under the influence of the thoughts, passions and desires which happened to be uppermost at the moment. It may be that the irre-

ligious and Epicurean quatrains were written in youth, and the *Munájat* in his riper years. But this hypothesis seems to be disproved by Sharastáni's account of him, which is quite silent as to any such conversion or change of sentiment on his part, and also by the fact that he describes himself from first to last as a "*Dipsychus*" in grain, a halter between two opinions, and an "*Acrates*," or backslider, in his practice.

If his poems be considered not in the abstract, but in the light of history, taking into account his mental pedigree and his intellectual surroundings, a more plausible explanation of his inconsistencies readily presents itself. In his youth, as we know, he sat at the feet of the Sunni theologian Imam Muaffik, and he was then no doubt thoroughly indoctrinated with the great Semitic conception of the One God, or, to use the expressive term of Muhammadan theology, "the Only Real Agent" (Fá'il i Hakiki). To minds dominated by the overwhelming sense of Almighty Power, everywhere present and working, there seems no room for Nature, or human will, or chance, or any other Ahriman whatsoever, to take the responsibility of all the evils in the world, the storms and the earthquakes, the Borgias and the Catilines. The "Only Real Agent" has to answer for all. In the most ancient document of Semitic religious speculation now extant, the Book of Job, we find expostulations of the boldest character addressed to the Deity for permitting a righteous man to be stricken with unmerited misfortunes, though the writer ultimately concludes in a spirit of pious agnosticism and resignation to the inscrutable dispensations of Providence. In the Book of Ecclesiastes, again, the same problems are handled, but in a somewhat different temper. The "weary king Ecclesiast" remarks that there is one event to all, to him that sacrificeth and him that sacrificeth not—that injustice and wrong seem eternally triumphant, that God has made things crooked, and none can make them straight; and concludes now in favour of a sober "carpe diem" philosophy, now in favour of a devout "fear of the Lord." Of course the manner in which the serious Hebrew handles these matters is very different from the levity and flippancy of the volatile Persian, but it can hardly be denied that the Ecclesiast and Omar resemble one another in the double and contradictory nature of their practical conclusions.

No sooner was Islam established than the same problem of the existence of evil in the handiwork of the Almighty Author and Governor of all began to trouble the Moslem theologians, and by their elaboration of the doctrine of Predestination they managed to aggravate its difficulties. One of the chief "roots" of their discussions was how to reconcile the Divine justice and benevolence with the Divine prescience,—the predestination of some vessels to honour, and others to dishonour,—the pre-ordainment of all things by a kind of mechanical necessity (Jabr), leaving no possibility of the occurrence of any events except those which actually do occur. The consideration of one corollary of a similar doctrine moved the pious and gentle Cowper to use language of indignant dissent; and there is high theological authority for the view that it is calculated "to thrust some into desperation," but to stimulate the piety

of others. Omar is constantly dwelling on this doctrine, and he seems to be affected by it in the double way here mentioned.

Other influences which acted on Omar must not be left out of account. Born as he was in Khorásan, "the focus of Persian culture," he was no doubt familiar with speculations of the Moslem philosophers, Alkindi, Alfárábi and Avicenna, the last of whom he may possibly have seen.\* And though he was not himself a Sufi, in the sense of being affiliated to any of the Sufi orders, he can hardly have been unaffected by the mysticism of which his predecessor in Ruba'i writing, Abu Sa'id bin Abul Khair, his patron Nizám ul Mulk, and his distinguished countryman Imám Ghazáli were all strong adherents. His philosophical studies would naturally stimulate his sceptical and irreligious dispositions, while his mystical leanings would operate mainly in the contrary direction.

If this explanation of the inconsistencies in his poetry be correct, it is obvious that the parallel often sought to be traced between him and Lucretius has no existence. Whatever he was, he was not an Atheist. To him, as to other Muhammadans of his time, to deny the existence of the Deity would seem to be tantamount to denying the existence of the world and of himself. And the conception of "laws of nature" was also one quite foreign to his habits of thought. As Deutsch says, "To a Shemite, Nature is simply what has been

<sup>\*</sup> Avicenna died in 428 A.H.

begotten, and is ruled absolutely by One Absolute

Hammer compares him to Voltaire, but in reality he is a Voltaire and something more. He has much of Voltaire's flippancy and irreverence. His treatment of the doctrine of the Resurrection of the Body, for instance, which Muhammad took from Christianity, and travestied by the embellishments he added to it, is altogether in Voltaire's manner. And his insistence on the all importance of kindness and charity recalls the better side of Voltaire's character, viz. his kindness to Calas, and the other victims of ecclesiastical persecution. But Omar also possessed, what Voltaire did not, strong religious emotions, which at times overrode his rationalism, and found expression in those devotional and mystical quatrains, which offer such a strong contrast to the rest of his poetry.

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#### ABBREVIATIONS.

- A. Asiatic Society's MS.
- B. Bodleian Library MS.
- Bl. Blochmann's edition.
- C. Calcutta edition.
- I. India Office MS., No. 2420.
- J. India Office MS., No. 2486.
- L. Lucknow edition.
- N. The edition of M. Nicolas.
- Bl. Prosody. The Prosody of the Persians by Blochmann, Calcutta 1872.
- Gladwin. The Rhetoric of the Persians by Gladwin, Calcutta 1801.
- Lumsden. A Grammar of the Persian language by Lumsden, Calcutta 1810.
- Vullers. Grammatica linguæ Persicæ, scripsit I. A. Vullers, Gissæ, 1870.

#### ERRATA.

#### QUATBAIN.

- . آتش after و after بين read بين and insert و after بين 19, l. 4.
- 114, note. Insert B. L.
- 170, l. 1. For دست read رست, "The hand of one like me." The note is wrong.
- 226, note. Insert L.
- 383, l. 2. For all read; and in the note for Tartuffe, Tartufe.
- 445, note. Read Murtazáshu.
- 452, 1. 3. For هانکه read هذا, .

## **QUATRAINS**

OF

OMAR KHAYYAM.

# QUATRAINS OF OMAR KHAYYAM.

1.

At dawn a cry through all the tavern shrilled, "Arise my brethren of the revellers' guild, That I may fill our measures full of wine, Or c'er the measure of our days be filled."

2.

Who was it brought thee here at nightfall, who? Forth from the harem, in this manner, who? To him who in thy absence burns as fire, And trembles like hot air, who was it, who?

- 1. Bl. C. L. N. A. I. J. Bl. considers this quatrain mystical.
  - 2. Bl. C. L. N. A. I. J. Bl. says the omission of the

# رُباعيّات حكيم خيّا،

آمد سحری ندا زمیخانه ٔ ما کای رند خراباتی دیوانه ٔ ما کای رند خراباتی دیوانه ٔ ما برخیز که پرکنیم پیمانه ز می ران پیش که پرگنند پیمانه ٔ ما

امشب درِ ما مست که آورد ترا وز پرده بدین دست که آورد ترا نزدیك کسی که بیتُو در آتش مود چُون باد همی حست که آورد ترا

copulative wa in line 4 is characteristic of Khayyam. In line 4 I follow Blochmann's rendering. It may mean, "when the wind blows."

'Tis but a day we sojourn here below,

And all the gain we get is grief and woe,

And then, leaving life's riddles all unsolved,

And burdened with regrets, we have to go.

#### 4.

Khaja! grant one request, and only one,
Wish me God-speed, and get your preaching
done;

I walk aright, 'tis you who see awry; Go! heal your purblind eyes, leave me alone.

5.

Arise! and come, and of thy courtesy Resolve my weary heart's perplexity, And fill my goblet, so that I may drink,

Or e'er they make their goblets out of me.

<sup>3.</sup> N.

<sup>4.</sup> Bl. C. L. N. A. I. J.

<sup>5.</sup> Bl. C. L. N. A. I. J. The heart is supposed to

این دهرکه بُود مُدتی سنزلِ ما نامد بجز از بلا وغم حاصلِ ما افسُوس که حل نگشت یك مشكلِ ما رفتیم و هزار حسرت اندر دل ما

عر

ای خواجه یکی کام روا کن مارا دم در کش و در کارِ خُدا کن مارا ما راست رویم ولیك توکیج بینی رو چاره ویده کن رها کن مارا

٥

برخیز و بیا بیا برای دلِ ما حل کن بجمالِ خویشتن مُشکلِ ما یك کوزه می بیار تا نوش كئیم زان پیش که کوزها كنند از گلِ ما

be the seat of reason. "Or ever" and "or ere" are both found in Elizabethan English. Abbot, Shakespearian Grammar, p. 89.

**6.** '

When I am dead, with wine my body lave, For obit chant a bacchanalian stave,

And, if you need me at the day of doom, Beneath the tavern threshold seek my grave.

7.

Since no one can assure thee of the morrow,
Rejoice thy heart to-day, and banish sorrow
With moonbright wine, fair moon, for
heaven's moon
Will look for us in vain on many a morrow.

8.

Let lovers all distraught and frenzied be,
And flown with wine, and reprobates, like me;
When sober, I find everything amiss,
But in my cups cry, "Let what will be be."

<sup>6.</sup> Bl. C. L. N. A. I. J. Faut shudan is Turani Persian. Bl.

چون فوت شوم بباده شوٹید مرا تلقین ز شراب و جام گوٹید مرا خواہید بروزِ حشر یابید مرا از خاکِ درِ میکدہ جُوٹید مرا

چُون عُهده نمیشود کسی فردارا حالی خوش کن این دلِ پر سودارا می نوش بنورِ ماه ای ماه که ماه بسیار بتابد ونیابد مارا

عاشق همه ساله مست و شیدا بادا دیوانه وشوریده و رُسوا بادا در هُشیاری غُصّه، هر چیز خوریم <sup>°</sup> ور مست شویم هرچه بادا بادا

Bl. C. L. N. A. B. I. J. Line 2 is in metre 14.
 Bl. L. N. Line 3 is in metre 13.

In Allah's name, say, wherefore set the wise Their hearts upon this house of vanities?

Whene'er they think to rest them from their toils,

Death takes them by the hand, and says, "Arise."

#### 10.

Men say the Koran holds all heavenly lore, But on its pages seldom care to pore;

The lucid lines engraven on the bowl,—
That is the text they dwell on evermore.

#### 11.

Blame not the drunkards, you who wine eschew, Had I but grace, I would abstain like you,

And mark me, vaunting zealot, you commit A hundredfold worse sins than drunkards do. ,

<sup>9.</sup> Bl. C. L. N. A. I.

<sup>10.</sup> Bl. L. N. A. B. I. J. Lines were engraven on the bowl to measure out the draughts. Bl.

عاقل بچه اُمّید درین شُوم سرا بر دولتِ او نهد دل از بهرِ خدا هرگاه که خواهد بنشیند از پا گیرد اجلش دست که بالا بنها

١.

قرآن که بهین کلام خوانند اورا گه گاه نه بر دوام خوانند اورا در خطِ پیاله آیتی روشن هست کاندر همه حا مدام خوانند اورا

11

گر می نحوری طعنه مزن مستانرا گر توبه دَهَد توبه کُنم یزدانرا تو فخر بدین کنی که من می نُخُورم صد کارکنی که می غُلامست آنرا

11. Bl. C. L. N. A. I. Yazdánrá, an oath. Ghulám, mere "children" compared to your sins.

What though 'tis fair to view, this form of man, I know not why the heavenly Artisan

Hath set these tulip cheeks and cypress forns To deck the mournful halls of earth's divan.

#### 13.

My fire gives forth no smoke-cloud here below, My stock-in-trade no profit here below,

And you, who call me tavern-haunter, know There is indeed no tavern here below.

#### 14.

Thus spake an idol to his worshipper,

"Why dost thou worship this dead stone, fair sir?

'Tis because He who gazeth through thine eyes,

Doth some part of His charms on it confer."

<sup>12.</sup> Bl. C. L. N. A. I. Tarab here "grief."

<sup>13.</sup> Bl. C. L. N. A. I. J. The anacoluthon in line 3, and the missing rhyme before the radif, or burden, in

هر چند که رنگ و بوی زیباست مرا چون لاله رخ و چو سرو بالاست سرا معلوم نشد که در طربخانه، خاك نـقّاشِ من از بهرِ چه آراست مرا

11

از آتشِ ما دود کجا بود اینجا وز مایه، ما سود کجا بود اینجا انکس که مرا نام ِخرا باتی کرد در اصّل خرابات کجا بود اینجا

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بت گفت به بت پرست کای عابد ما دانی زچه روی گشته ساجد ما بر ما بجمال خود تجتی کرد ست آنکس که ز تُست ناظر ای شاهد ما

line 4 are characteristic of Khayyam. Bl.

<sup>14.</sup> L. Meaning, all is of God, even idols. See Gulshan i Raz, line 800.

Whate'er thou doest, never grieve thy brother, Nor kindle fumes of wrath his peace to smother; Dost thou desire to taste eternal bliss, Vex thine own heart, but never vex another!

#### 16.

O Thou! to please whose love and wrath as well,
Allah created heaven and likewise hell;
Thou hast thy court in heaven, and I have naught,
Why not admit me in thy courts to dwell?

# 17.

So many cups of wine will I consume,
Its bouquet shall exhale from out my tomb,
And every one that passes by shall halt,
And reel and stagger with that mighty fume.

<sup>15.</sup> L. b. Line 1 is in metre 14.

<sup>16.</sup> Bl. L. The person addressed is the prophet Muhammad. The Sufis were fond of dwelling on the

تا بتوانی رنجه مگردان کسرا بر آتشِ خشم خویش منشان کسرا گر راحت جاودان طمع میداری میرنج همیشه و مرنجان کسرا

17

ای کرده بلطف و قهرِ تو صنع خدا در عهدِ ازل بهشت و دوزخ پیدا بزم ِ تو بهشت است و مرا چیزی نیست چونست که در بهشت ره نیست مرا

14

چندان بخورم شراب کین بُوی شراب آید ز تراب جُون روم زیرِ تراب تا در سرِ خاكِ من رسد مخموری از بُویِ شرابِ من شود مست و خراب

opposition between the beautiful (jamál) and terrible (jalál) attributes of Deity. Gulshan i Raz, p. 27.

<sup>17.</sup> Bl. C. L. N. A. I. J.

Young wooer, charm all hearts with lover's art, Glad winner, lead thy paragon apart!

A hundred Ka'bas equal not one heart, Seek not the Ka'ba, rather seek a heart!

#### 19.

What time, my cup in hand, its draughts I drain,
And with rapt heart unconsciousness attain,
Behold what wondrous miracles are wrought,
Songs flow as water from my burning brain.

#### 20.

To-day is but a breathing space, quaff wine!
Thou wilt not see again this life of thine;

So, as the world becomes the spoil of time, Offer thyself to be the spoil of wine!

18. Bl. C. L. N. A. I. J. Line 2, A In the presence seize the perfect heart." Niyáz, "lovers' entreaties."

IA

در راه نیاز هر دلی را دریاب در کُویِ حضور مُقبلِی را دریاب صد کعبه، آب و گل بـیکدل نرسد کعبه چه روی برو دلی را دریاب

15

روزي که بدست بر نهم جام شراب وز غایت خرمي شوم ست و خراب صد مُعجزه پیدا کنم اندر هر باب زین طبع چو آتش سخنهای چو آب

۲.

روزی که دو مهلتست می خور سی ناب کین عمر گذشته در نیابی دریاب دانی که جهان رو بخرابی داود تو نیز شب و روز بهی باش خراب

<sup>19.</sup> L. N. Sukhanháyĭ: Kasra i tausfíí before the epithet, chu áb. Lumsden, ii. p. 259.

<sup>20.</sup> L. N. Do muhlat, "inhaling and exhaling."

'Tis we who to wine's yoke our necks incline,
And risk our lives to gain the smiles of wine;
The henchman grasps the flagon by its
throat

And squeezes out the lifeblood of the wine.

#### 22.

Here in this tavern haunt I make my lair,
Pawning for wine, heart, soul, and all I wear,
Without a hope of bliss, or fear of bale,

# 23.

Rapt above water, earth and fire and air.

Quoth fish to duck, "Twill be a sad affair,

If this brook leaves its channel dry and bare;"

To whom the duck, "When I am, dead and roasted

The brook may run with wine for aught I care."

<sup>21.</sup> L. N. Line 3 is in metre 19.

<sup>22.</sup> Bl. C. L. N. A. B. I. J. Note the diphthong in

مائیم نهاده سر بفرمانِ شراب جان کرده فدای لب خندانِ شراب هم ساقیِ ما حلیِ صراحی در دست هم بر لب ساغر آمده جانِ شراب

#### 11

ماتیم و می و مطرب و این کنم خراب جان ودل وجام وجامه در رهن شراب فارغ ز امید رحمت وبیم عداب آزاد ز باد وخاك وز آتش و آب

#### 11

با بط میگفت ماهنگی در تب و تاب باشد که بجوی رفته باز آید آپ بط گفت چو من و تو بگشتیم کباب بود از پس مرک<sup>2</sup> من چه دریا چه شراب

mái dissolved in scanning. Bl., Prosody 13.

<sup>23.</sup> L. Meaning, Après nous le déluge.

From doubt to clear assurance is a breath, A breath from infidelity to faith;

Oh, precious breath! enjoy it while you may, 'Tis all that life can give, and then comes death.

#### 25.

Ah! wheel of heaven to tyranny inclined,
'Twas e'er your wont to show yourself unkind;
And, cruel earth, if they should cleave your
breast,

What store of buried jewels they would find!

#### 26.

My life lasts but a day or two, and fast
Sweeps by, like torrent stream or desert blast,
Howbeit, of two days I take no heed,—
The day to come, and that already past.

<sup>21.</sup> Bl. C. L. N. A. I. J.

<sup>25.</sup> Bl. C. L. N. A. I. J. "Wheel of heaven," i.e. destiny, fortune. Sir Thomas Browne talks of the

ار منزلِ كفر تا بدين يكنفس ست ور عالم شك تا بيقين يكنفس ست اين يكنفسِ عزيز را خوش ميدار كز حاصلِ عُمرِ ما همين يكنفس ست

10

ای چرخ فلك خرابی از كینه تست بیدادگری شیوه دیرینه تست ای خاك اگر سینه تو بشگافند بس گوهر قیمتی كه در سینه تست

17

این یك دو سه روزه نوبت عمر گذشت چون آب بجو یبار و چون باد بدشت هزگز غم دو روز مرا یاد نگشت روزی که گذشت و روزی که گذشت

<sup>&</sup>quot;wheel of things." In line 1 scan khará biyaz.

<sup>26.</sup> Bl. C. L. N. A. B. I. J. Do sih roza is an adjective. Bl.

That pearl is from a mine unknown to thee,
That ruby bears a stamp thou can'st not see,
The tale of love some other tongue must tell,
All our conjectures are mere phantasy.

#### 28.

Now with its joyful prime my age is rife, I quaff enchanting wine, and list to fife; Chide not at wine for all its bitter taste, Its bitterness sorts well with human life!

#### 29.

O soul! whose lot it is to bleed with pain,
And daily change of fortune to sustain,
Into this body wherefore didst thou come,
Seeing thou must at last go forth again?

27. Bl. L. N. Káni, Yá i batní. Bl., Pros. 7. Or, perhaps, yá i tankír. See note to No. 373. Meaning, real love of God differs from the popular idea of it. Bl.

آن لعل گران بها زکانی دگر ست وان در یگانه را نشانی دگر ست اندیشه این وآن خیال من وتست افسانه عشق از زبانی دگر ست

ľA

امروزكه نوبت جوانيّ من ست مى نوشم از آنكه كامرانيّ من ست عيبش مكنيد أگرچه تلخ ست خوش ست تلخ ست از آنكه زندگانيّ من ست

19

ای دل چو نصیب تو همه خون شدنست احوال تو هر لحظه دگر گون شدنست ای جان تو درین تنم چه کار آمده چون عاقبت کار تو بیرون شدنست.

<sup>28.</sup> Bl. C. L. N. A. B. I. J. Bl. notes, "Regarding the tashdid on jawani, see my Prosody, p. 11."

<sup>29.</sup> Bl. C. L. N. A. I. J.

To-day is thine to spend, but not to-morrow, Counting on morrows breedeth naught but sorrow;

Oh! squander not this breath that heaven hath lent thee,

Nor make too sure another breath to borrow!

#### 31.

'Tis labour lost thus to all doors to crawl, Take thy good fortune, and thy bad withal;

Know for a surety each must play his game, As from heaven's dice-box fate's dice chance to fall.

#### 32.

This jug did once, like me, love's sorrows taste,
And bonds of beauty's tresses once embraced,
This handle, which you see upon its side,
Has many a time twined round a slender waist!

<sup>30.</sup> Bl. C. N. A. B. I. In line 4, scan Ki bákiyi 'umrărá. Bl., Prosody 11.

<sup>31.</sup> Bl. C. L. N. A. I. J. Naksh, the dots on dice.

امروز ترا دست رسی فردا نیست واندیشه، فردات بجز سودا نیست ضایع مکن ایندم ار دلت شیدا نیست کین باقی عمررا بقا پیدا نیست

٣١

از هرزه بهر دری نمیباید تاخت با نیك و بدِ زمانه میباید ساخت از طاسكِ چرخ وكعبتینِ تقدیر هر نـقش كه پـیدا شود آن باید باخت

٣٢

این کوزه چو من عاشق زاری بودست در بند سر زلف نگاری بودست این دسته که در گردن او می بعینی دستیست که بر گردن یاری بودست

<sup>32.</sup> Bl. C. L. N. A. B. I. J. Budast, the perfect in astam, is archaic. Bl., Prosody 12.

Days changed to nights, ere you were born, or I,

And on its business ever rolled the sky;
See you tread gently on this dust, perchance
'Twas once the apple of some beauty's eye.

#### 34.

Pagodas, just as mosques, are homes of prayer, 'Tis prayer that church-bells chime unto the air, Yea, Church and Ka'ba, Rosary and Cross Are all but divers tongues of world-wide prayer.

#### 35.

'Twas writ at first, whatever was to be, By pen, unheeding bliss or misery, Yea, writ upon the tablet once for all, To murmur or resist is vanity.

<sup>33.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Niháre, Yá i tankír.

<sup>34.</sup> Bl. C. L. N. A. I. J. Scan bandagiyast. Bl. Meaning, forms of faith are indifferent.

ساس

پیش از من و تو لیل و نهاری بودست گردنده فلك زبهر كاری بودست زینهار قدم بخاك آهسته نهی كان مردمكِ چشم ِنگاري بودست

۲۴

بخانه و کعبه خانه، بندگیست ناقوس زدن ترانه، بندگیست رزّار وکلیسیا و تسبیم وصلیب حقّا که همه نشانه، بندگیست

٥٣

بر لوح نشانِ بودنیها بوده است پیوسته قلم زنیك و به آسوده است اندر تقدیر هر چه بایست بداه غم خوردن و كوشیدنِ ما بیهوده است

<sup>35.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. Meaning, fate is heartless and resistless. Scan búd ast, dropping silent he, and Alif i wasl.

There is a mystery I know full well,
Which to all, good and bad, I cannot tell;
My words are dark, but I cannot unfold
The secrets of the "station" where I dwell.

#### 37.

No base or light-weight coins pass current here, Of such a broom has swept our dwelling clear; Forth from the tavern comes a sage, and cries,

"Drink! for ye all must sleep through ages drear."

# 38.

With outward seeming we can cheat mankind, But to God's will we can but be resigned;

The deepest wiles my cunning e'er devised, To balk resistless fate no way could find.

<sup>36.</sup> Bl. C. L. N. A. I. J. Hálé, a state of ecstacy.

<sup>37.</sup> Bl. L. N. Meaning, Mollas' fables will not go down with us.

آم با هر بد ونیك راز نتوانم گفت اكوته سخنم دراز نتوانم گفت حالي دارم كه شرح نتوانم داد ارازى دارم كه باز نتوانم گفت س

ر با ما درم قلب نمیگیرد جفت جاروب طرمخانه، ما پاک بَرَکُتُون جاروب طرمخانه، ما پاک بَرَکُتُن پیری ز خرابات برون آمد و گف می خورکه بعمرهات میباید خفت

٣٨

با حکم خدا بجز رضا در نـگرفت با خلق ُبجِرْ روی و ریا در نـگرفت هر حیله که در تصوّرِ عقل آید کردیم ولیك با قضا در نـگرفت

38. L. N. Meaning, weakness of human rule compared to the strength of Divine decrees.

Is a friend faithless? spurn him as a foe,
Upon trustworthy foes respect bestow;
Hold healing poison for an antidote,
And baneful sweets for deadly eisel know.

#### 40.

No heart is there, but bleeds when torn from Thee,

No sight so clear but craves Thy face to see;
And though perchance Thou carest not for them,

No soul is there, but pines with care for Thee.

# 41.

Sobriety doth dry up all delight,

And drunkenness doth drown my sense outright;

There is a middle state, it is my life, Not altogether drunk, nor sober quite.

<sup>39.</sup> L. N. These gnomical epigrams are not common in Khayyam.

<sup>40.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Jigar, the liver, was consi-

بیگانه اگر وفا کند خویش من است ور خویش خطا کند بداندیش من است گر زهر موافقت کند تریاکست ور نوش مُخالفت کُند نیش من است

#### ۴.

پر خون ز فراقت جگري نيست که نيست شيداي تو صاحبنظري نيست که نيست 1 با آنکه نداري سرِ سوداي کسي سوداي تو در هيچ سری نيست که نيست

#### ۱۹

تا هشیارم طرب ز من پنهان است چون مست شدم در خردم نقصان است حالیست میانِ مستی و هشیاری من بنده؛ آن که زندگانی آنست

dered to be the seat of love.

41. C. N. I. Masti o: scan mastiyō. The Epicurean golden mean. See Ecclesiastes, vii. 16, 17.

Behold these cups! Can He who deigned to make them,

In wanton freak let ruin overtake them,
So many shapely feet and hands and heads,—
What love drives Him to make, what wrath to
break them?

#### 43.

Death's terrors spring from baseless phantasy,
Death yields the tree of immortality;
Since 'Isa breathed new life into my soul,
Eternal death has washed its hands of me!

# 44.

Like tulips in the Spring your cups lift up,
And, with a tulip-cheeked companion, sup
With joy your wine, or e'er this azure wheel
With some unlooked for blast upset your cup.

<sup>42.</sup> C. N. A. B. I. J. Piyálăē, a cup. So Job, "Thy hands have made me, yet thou dost destroy me."

ترکیب پیاله که درهم پیوست بشکستی آن کجا روا دارد مست چندین سر وپای نازنین وکف ودست از مهر چه شکست و بکین چه شکست

٣

ترسِ اجل و وهم فنا مستی تست ؟ ورنه ز فنا شاخ بقا خواهد رُست تا از دم عیسوی شدم زنده نجان مرک ابد از وجود من دست بشست

> چوں لالہ بنوروز قدح گیر بدست با لالہ رخی اگر ترا فرصت ہست می نوش بخرمی کہ این چرخ کبود ناگاہ ترا چو باد گرداند پست

<sup>43.</sup> L. N. Meaning, the Sufi doctrine of Baká ba'd ul faná. See Gulshan i Raz, p. 31.

<sup>44.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J.

Facts will not change to humour man's caprice, So vaunt not human powers, but hold your peace;

Here must we stay, weighed down with grief for this,

That we were born so late, so soon decease.

#### 46.

Khayyam! why weep you that your life is bad? What boots it thus to mourn? Rather be glad.

He that sins not can make no claim to mercy, Mercy was made for sinners—be not sad.

# 47.

All mortal ken is bounded by the veil, To see beyond man's sight is all too frail;

Yea! earth's dark bosom is his only home;—Alas! 't were long to tell the doleful tale.

<sup>45.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Meaning, the futility of striving against predestination. Ank, for ánki. Bl. Prosody 13.

چون کار نه بر مراد ما خواهد رفت اندیشه جهد ما کجا خواهد رفت پیوسته نشسته ایم از حسرت آنك دیر آمده ایم و زود میباید رفت

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!! – خیّام زبهٔرِگنه این ماتم چیست ' وز خوردنِ غم فایده بیش وکم چیست آنراکه گنه نـکـرد غفران نبود غفران زبرای گنه آمد غم چیست

rv V

ر پردهٔ اسرار کسیرا ره نیست زین تعبیه جانِ هیچ کس اگه نیست جز در دلِ خاكِ تیره منزلگه نیست افسوس که این فسانها کوته نیست

<sup>46.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. See note on No. 130.

<sup>47.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J.

This faithless world, my home, I have surveyed, Yea, and with all my wit deep question made, But found no moon with face so bright as thine,

No cypress in such stateliness arrayed.

#### 49.

In synagogue and cloister, mosque and school, Hell's terrors and heaven's lures men's bosoms rule,

But they who master Allah's mysteries, Sow not this empty chaff their hearts to fool.

# 50.

You see the world, but all you see is naught,
And all you say, and all you hear is naught,
Naught the four quarters of the mighty
earth,

The secrets treasured in your chamber naught.

<sup>48.</sup> L. N.

<sup>49.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. Meaning, souls re-absorbed

#### FA

در عالم بیوفا که منزلگه ماست بسیار بجستم بقیاسی که مراست چون روی تو ماه نیست روشن گفتم چون قد تو سرو نیست میگویم راست

### 100

در صومعه و مدرسه و دیر و کنشت ترسنده ز دوزخند و جویای بهشت آنکس که ز اسرارِ خدا با خبر است زین تخم در اندرونِ خود هیچ نکِشت رین تخم در اندرونِ خود هیچ نکِشت

دنیا دیدی و هر چه دیدی هیچ است وان نیز که گفتی و شنیدی هیچست سر نا سر آفاق دویدی هیچ است وان نیز که در خانه خزیدی هیچ است .

in the Divine essence have no concern with the material heaven and hell.

<sup>50.</sup> L. N. Meaning, all is illusion (Maya).

I dreamt a sage said, "Wherefore life consume In sleep? Can sleep make pleasure's roses bloom?

Forgather not with death's twin-brother sleep, Thou wilt have sleep enough within thy tomb!"

52.

If the heart knew life's secrets here below,

At death 'twould know God's secrets too, I trow;

But, if you know naught here, while still yourself,

To-morrow, stripped of self, what can you know?

53.

On that dread day, when wrath shall rend the sky,

And darkness dim the bright stars' galaxy,

I'll seize the Loved One by His skirt, and cry,

"Why hast Thou doomed these guiltless ones to die?"

<sup>51.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. So Homer, Kasignétos thanatoio.

<sup>52.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. In line 2 scan *Ĭláhí*. Bl. Prosody, p. 7.

در خواب بُدم مرا خردمندي گفت كز خواب كسي را گل شادي نشكفت كاري چكني كه با اجل باشد جفت مي خور كه بزير خاك ميبايد خفت

٥٢

دل سرِّ حیات اگر کماهی دانست در موت هم اسرارِ الهی دانست اکنون که تو با خودی ندانستی هیچ فردا که زخود روی چه خواهی دانست

٣٥

روزیکه شود اذا السما انفطرت واندم که شود اذا النجوم انکدرت من دامن تو بگیرم اندر عرصات گویم صنما بای ذنب قتلت

<sup>53.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. See Koran, lxxxii. 1. Note the alif i wasts in lines 1 and 2. In line 4 scan kata lat, transposing the last vowel. Bl. Prosody, p. ii.

To knaves Thy secret we must not confide, To comprehend it is to fools denied,

See then to what hard case Thou doomest men,

Our hopes from one and all perforce we hide.

#### 55.

Cupbearer! what though fate's blows here betide us,

And a safe resting-place be here denied us,

So long as the bright wine-cup stands between us,

We have the very Truth at hand to guide us.

## 56.

Long time in wine and rose I took delight, But then my business never went aright;

Since wine could not accomplish my desire, I have abandoned and forsworn it quite.

<sup>54.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. There is a variation of this, beginning Asrár i jahán.

<sup>55.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. In line 3 scan mayast. Bl.

سر از همه ناکسان نهان باید داشت راز از همه ابلهان نهان باید داشت بنگر که بجای مردمان خود چه کنی چشم از همه مردمان نهان باید داشت

٥٥

ساقی چو زمانه در شکست من و تست دنیا نه سراچه نشست من و تست گر زانکه میان من و تو جام می است میدان بیقین که حق بدست من و تست

۲٥

عمري بكل و باده برفتيم بكشت يكشت يك كارِ من از دورِ جهان راست نكشت از مي چو نشد هيچ مرادي حاصل از هرچه گذ شتيم گذ شت

Prosody, p. 13, and note tashdid on Hakk dropped. Ibid, p. iv.

<sup>56.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J.

Bring wine! my heart with dancing spirits teems,

Wake! fortune's waking is as fleeting dreams; Quicksilver-like our days are swift of foot, And youthful fire subsides as torrent streams.

#### 58.

Love's devotees, not Moslems here you see, Not Solomons, but ants of low degree;

Here are but faces wan and tattered rags, No store of Cairene cloth, or silk have we.

#### 59.

My law it is in pleasure's paths to stray, My creed to shun the theologic fray;

I wedded Luck, and offered her a dower, She said, "I want none, so thy heart be gay."

<sup>57.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. In line 3 scan bedártyi.

<sup>58.</sup> L. N. For the story of Solomon and the ants,

می در کفِ من نه که دلم در تابست وین عمر گریز پای چون سیمابست بر خیز که بیداری دولت خوابست دریاب که آتش جوانی آب است

۸۵

ما کافرِ عشقیم و مسلمان دگر است ما مورِ ضعیفیم و سلیمان دگر است از ما رخ ِ زرد و جامه، کهنه طلب بازارچه، قصب فروشان دگر است

09

مي خوردن و شاد بودن آئينِ منست فازغ بودن زكفر و دين دينِ منست گفتم بعروسِ دهر كابينِ تو چيست گفتا دلِ خرم تو كابينِ من است

see Koran, xxvii. 18. Kasab, linen made in Egypt. 59. C. L. N. A. I. J.

From mosque an outcast, and to church a foe.

Allah! of what clay didst thou form me so?

Like sceptic monk, or ugly courtesan,

No hopes have I above, no joys below.

#### 61.

Men's lusts, like house-dogs, still the house distress

With clamour, barking for mere wantonness; Foxes are they, and sleep the sleep of hares; Crafty as wolves, as tigers pitiless.

# 62.

You turf, fringing the margent of the stream, As down upon a cherub's lip might seem,

Or growth from dust of buried tulip cheeks; Tread not that turf with scorn, or light esteem!

<sup>60.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Ummed has the tashdid ob metrum. Bl., Prosody 9. Line 2 is in metre 17. Gil i mará for gil i man rá, Vullers, pp. 173 and 193.

نی لایتی مسجدم نه در خورَدِ کنشت ایزد داند گلِ مرا از چه سرشت چون کافرِ درویشم و چون قَحَبَهُ وشت نی دین و نه دنیا و نه آمید بهشت

## 71

نفست بسگ خانه همی ماند راست جز بانگ میان تهی از او هیچ تخواست روبه صفتست و خواب خرگوش دهد آشوب پلنگ دارد و گرگ دغاست

# 71

هرسبره که در کنار جوئي رستست گوئي زلب فرشته خوئي رستست هاك بر سرِ سبزه پا بخواري ننهي كاك سبزه بخاك لاله روئي رستست

- 61. C. L. N. A. I. J. "Sleep of hares," deceit.
- 62. C. L. N. A. I. J. Juyiy: the  $y\acute{a}$  of  $j\acute{u}y$  is hamzated because followed by another  $y\acute{a}$ . Vullers, p. 24.

Hearts with the light of love illumined well,
Whether in mosque or synagogue they dwell,
Have their names written in the book of love,
Unvexed by hopes of heaven or fears of hell.

#### 64.

One draught of wine outweighs the realm of Tús,

Throne of Kobád and crown of Kai Kawús; Sweeter are sighs that lovers heave at morn, Than all the groanings zealot breasts produce.

## 65.

Though Moslems for my sins condemn and chide me,

Like heathens to my idol I confide me;
Yea, when I perish of a drunken bout,
I'll call on wine, whatever doom betide me.

<sup>63.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Compare Hafiz, Ode 79: "Wherever love is, there is the light of the Beloved's face."

هر دل که در او نورِ محبّت بسرشت گر ساکنِ مسجد است وگر ز اهْلِ کنشت در دفترِ عشق هرکه را نام نوشت آزاد ز دوزخ است و فارغ ز بهشت

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یکجرعه، می زملك كاووس بهست وز تخت قباد و ملكت طوس بهست هر ناله که عاشقي بر آرد بسحر از نعره، زاهدان سالوس بهست

10

هر چند که ازگناه بدبختم و زشت نومید نیم چو بت پرستان ز کنشت امّا سحري که میرم از مخموری مي خواهم و معشوقه چه دوزح چه بهشت

<sup>64.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Kawús is the old spelling.

<sup>65.</sup> L. N. See a variation of this below, No. 111.

In drinking thus it is not my design

To riot, or transgress the law divine,

No! to attain unconsciousness of self

Is the sole cause I drink me drunk with wine.

# 67.

Drunkards are doomed to hell, so men declare, Believe it not, 'tis but a foolish scare;

Heaven will be empty as this hand of mine,

If none who love good drink find entrance
there.

#### 68.

'Tis wrong, according to the strict Korán,
To drink in Rajab, likewise in Sha'bán,
God and the Prophet claim those months as
theirs;

Was Ramazan then made for thirsty man?

- 66. C. L. N. A. I. J. Perhaps a hit at the Sufis.
- 67. C. L. N. A. I. J. Line 4 is in metre 17.

مي خوردن من نه از براي طربست نز بهْرِ فساد وتركِ دين و ادبست خواهم كه زبيخودي بر آرم نفسي مي خوردن ومست بودنم زين سببست

10

گویند که دوزخی بود مردم مست قولیست خلاف دل در او نشوان بست گر عاشق و مست دوزخی خواهد بود فردا باشد بهشت همچون کف دست

11

گویند مخور باده که شعبان نه رواست نه نیز رجب که آنمه خاص خداست شعبان و رجب ماه خدا هست و رسول ما در رمضان خوریم کان خاصه ماست

68. C. L. N. A. I. J. The point, of course, is that Ramazán is the Muhammadan Lent.

Now Ramazan is come, no wine must flow,
Our simple pastimes we must now forego,
The wine we have in store we must not
drink,

Nor on our mistresses one kiss bestow.

70.

What is the world? A caravanserai,

A pied pavilion of night and day;

A feast whereat a thousand Jamsheds sat,

A couch whereon a thousand Bahrams lay.

## 71.

Now that your roses bloom with flowers of bliss,

To grasp your goblets be not so remiss;

Drink while you may! Time is a treacherous foe,

You may not see another day like this.

<sup>69.</sup> L. N. Does Sáda mean the winter feast?

<sup>70.</sup> Bl. C. L. N. A. I. J. Wámánda, "leavings."

آمد رمضان و موسم باده برفت دور می ناب و رائیج ساده برفت هر باده که داشتیم ناخورده بماند هر قحبه که یافتیم ناگاده برفت

٧ •

این کهنه رباطرا که عالم نامست ٔ آرامگه ابلق صبح و شام است بزمیست که وامانده و صد جشید است گوریست که تکیه گاه صد بهرامست

٧I

اکنون که گلِ سعادتت بر بار است دستِ تو زجامِ می چرا بیکار است می خورکه زمانه دشمنِ غدّار است دریافتنِ روزِ چنین دشوار است

<sup>71.</sup> Bl. C. L. N. A. I. J. Bar bár, 'blooming, on the branch,' i.e. you are still young. Bl.

Here in this palace, where Bahram held sway, The wild roes drop their young, and tigers stray;

And that great hunter king—ah! well a day! Now to the hunter death is fallen a prey.

# 73.

Down fall the tears from skies enwrapt in gloom, Without this drink, the flowers could never bloom!

As now these flowerets yield delight to me, So shall my dust yield flowers,—God knows for whom.

## 74.

To-day is Friday, as the Moslem says,

Drink then from bowls served up in quick relays;

Suppose on common days you drink one bowl,

To-day drink two, for 'tis the prince of days.

72. Bl. C. L. N. A. I. J. Daró: see Bl., Pros. 11.

73. Bl. C. L. N. A. I. J. In line 4 tá is the "ta i tajáhul," meaning, 'I do not know whether,' 'perhaps.' Bl.

آن قصر که بهرام درو جام گرفت آهُو گُرُق کرد و شیر آرام گرفت بهرام که گور میگرفتی بکمند دیدی که چگونه گور بهرام گرفت

٧٣

ابر آمد و باز بر سرِ سبزه گریست بی باده ارغوان نمی باید زیست این سبزه که امروز تماشاگه ماست تا سبزه؛ خاك ما تماشاگه کیست

٧۴

امروز كه آدينه مر اورا نام است مي نوش كن از قدم چه جاي جامست هر روز اگر يكقدم مي خوردي امروز دو خوركه سيد الأيامست

74. Bl. C. L. N. A. I. J. Friday is the day "of assembly," or Sabbath.

آن باده که قابلِ صُوَرْهاست بذات گاهی حیوان همی شود گاه نبات تا ظن نبری که هست گردد هیهات موصوف بذاتست اگر نیست صفات

V1

از آتشِ این طائفه جز دودي نیست وز هیچ کسم امید بهبودي نیست دستي که ز دستِ چرخ بر سر دارم در دامن هر که میزنم سودي نیست

VV

آنڪس که بحملکي ترا تڪيه بروست گر چشم خرد باز کنی دشمنت اوست آن به که درين زمانه کم گيري, دوست با اهلِ زمانه صحبت از دور نڪوست

Wine means the divine "Noumenon." Gulshan i Ráz, 825.

<sup>76.</sup> Bl. C. L. N. A. I. J. Scan tayifa.

<sup>77.</sup> Bl. C. L. N. A. I. J. The MSS. transpose the lines.

O foolish one! this moulded earth is naught,
This particoloured vault of heaven is naught;
Our sojourn in this seat of life and death
Is but one breath, and what is that but naught?

#### 79.

Some wine, a Houri, (Houris if there be,)

A green bank by a stream, with minstrelsy;—
Toil not to find a better Paradise,

If other Paradise indeed there be!

## 80.

To the wine-house I saw the sage repair,

Bearing a wine-cup, and a mat for prayer;

I said, "O Shaikh, what does this conduct

mean?"

Said he, "Go drink! the world is naught.but air."

78. Bl. L. N. Shakl i mujassam, 'the earth.' Bl. 79. Bl. C. L. N. A. I. J. Dozakh i farsúda, 'an old

اي بيخبر اين شكلِ بحسم هيچ ست وين طارم نهٔ سپهرِ ارقم هيچ ست خوش باش كه در نشيمنِ كون وفساد وابسته، يكدميم و آنهم هيچ ست

49

با مطرب و می حور سرشتی گر هست با آبِ روان کنار کشتی گر هست به زین مطلب دوزخ ِ فرسوده متاب حقّا که جز این نیست بهشتی گر هست

۸٠

پیری ز خرابات برون امد و مست سجاده بدوش و کاسه، باده بدست گفتم شیجا ترا چه حال آمد پیش گفتا می خورکه کارِ عالم باد است

hell, i.e. vain things which create a hell for you. Bl. 80. N.

The Bulbul to the garden winged his way,
Viewed lily cups, and roses smiling gay,
Cried in ecstatic notes, "O live your life,
You never will re-live this fleeting day."

82.

Thy body is a tent, where harbourage

The Sultan spirit takes for one brief age;

When he departs, comes the tent-pitcher death.

Strikes it, and onward moves, another stage.

83.

Khayyam, who long time stitched the tents of learning,

Has fallen into a furnace, and lies burning,

Death's shears have cut his thread of life asunder,

Fate's brokers sell him off with scorn and spurning.

<sup>81.</sup> N. The MSS have a variation of this, beginning, Bulbul chu.  $J\acute{a}m \dots r\acute{a}$ . See Bl. Prosody, p. 12.

چون بلبلِ مست راه در بستان یافت روی گل و جام باده را خندان یافت آمد بزبانِ حال در گوشم گفت دریاب که عمر رفته را تشوان یافت

11

خیّام تنت مجیمه ماند راست سلطان روح است و منزلِش در افناست فرّاشِ اجل زبهرِ دیکر منزِل ویران کند این خیمه چو سلطان برخاست

۸۳

خیّام که خیمهای حکمت میدوخت در کورد، غم فتاد و ناگاه بسوخت مقراض اجل طنابِ عمرش بنروید دلّالِ قضا برایگانش بفروخت

<sup>82.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Manzil, in line 2, 'lodging;' in line 3, 'stage.' Khimayé, a 'tent.'

<sup>83.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J.

In the sweet spring a grassy bank I sought,
And thither wine, and a fair Houri brought;
And, though the people called me graceless
dog,

Gave not to Paradise another thought!

#### 85.

Sweet is rose-ruddy wine in goblets gay,
And sweet are lute and harp and roundelay;
But for the zealot who ignores the cup,
'Tis sweet when he is twenty leagues away!

## 86.

Life, void of wine, and minstrels with their lutes,

And the soft murmurs of Irákian flutes,
Were nothing worth: I scan the world and
see,

Save pleasure, life yields only bitter fruits.

<sup>84.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. Batar, a contraction. See Bl. Prosody, p. 10.

ME

در فصلِ بهار با بتِ حور سرشت یك كوزه مي اگر بود بر لبِ كشت هر چند بنزدِ عام بد باشد این از سگ بترم اگر كنم یادِ بهشت

40

در جام طرب باده، گلرنگ خوشست با نغمه، عود و ناله، چنگ خوشست زاهد که خبر ندارد از جام شراب دور از بر ما هزار فرسنگ خوشست

۸۱

دوران جهان بي مي و ساقي خوش نيست بي زمزمه، ناي عراقي خوش نيست هر چند در احوال جهان مينگرم حاصل همه عشرتست و باقي خوش نيست

<sup>85.</sup> N. The MSS. have a variation of this. Note Khush.

<sup>86.</sup> L. N. See an answer to this in No. 97.

Make haste! soon must you quit this life below, And pass the veil, and Allah's secrets know;

Make haste to take your pleasure while you may,

You wot not whence you come, nor whither go.

#### 88.

Depart we must! what boots it then to be, To walk in vain desires continually?

Nay, but if heaven vouchsafe no place of rest, What power to cease our wanderings have we?

#### 89.

To chant wine's praises is my daily task,

I live encompassed by cup, bowl and flask;

Zealot! if reason be thy guide, then know

That guide of me doth ofttimes guidance ask.

<sup>87.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. In line 3 scan nidániyaz.

<sup>88.</sup> N. In line 3 scan jáyīgā. Bl., Prosody, p. 15.

<sup>89.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. In line 1 scan maddahiyi;

۸V

دریاب که از روح جدا خواهی رفت در پرده اسرار خدا خواهی رفت می خور که ندانی از کجا آمده خوشباش ندانی که کجا خواهی رفت

۸۸

رفتن چو حقیقتست پس بودن چیست رام طمع محال پیمودن چیست جائیگه بمصلحت نخواهند گذاشت فارغ ز سفر بودن و آسودن چیست

19

عمريست كه مداحي مي ورد منست و اسباب ميست هر چه در گرد منست زاهد اگر استاد تو عقلست اينجا خوشباش كه استاد تو شاگرد منست

and compare Horace, "Edocet artes;
Fecundi calices quem non fecere disertum."

O men of morals! why do ye defame,

And thus misjudge me? I am not to blame.

Save weakness for the grape, and female charms,

What sins of mine can any of ye name?

#### 91.

Who treads in passion's footsteps here below,

A helpless pauper will depart, I trow;

Remember who you are, and whence you come,

Consider what you do, and whither go.

#### 92.

Skies like a zone our weary lives enclose,
And from our tear-stained eyes a Jihun flows;
Hell is a fire enkindled of our griefs;
Heaven but a moment's peace, stolen from our woes.

<sup>90.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. This change of persons is called *Iltifát*. Gladwin, Persian Rhetoric, p. 56.

<sup>91.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. Khabarat: see Bl., Prosody, p. v.

فاسق خوانند مردمانم پیوست من بیگنهم خیالِ شان بر من بست بر من مخلاف شرع ای اهلِ صلاح جر خمر و لواطه و زنا جرم نه است

91

گر در پي شهوت و هوا خواهي رفت از من خبرت ڪه بينوا خواهي رفت بنگر چه ڪسي و از کجا آمده، ميدان که چه ميکني کجا خواهي رفت

91

گردون کمري زعمر فرسوده ماست هيحون اثري زچشم دالوده ماست دوزخ شرري زرنج بيهوده ماست فردوس دمي زوقت آسوده ماست

<sup>92.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. This balanced arrangement of similes is called *Tirsi'a*. Gladwin, p. 5.

I drown in sin—show me Thy clemency!

My soul is dark—make me Thy light to see!

A heaven that must be earned by painful works,

I call a wage, not a gift fair and free.

#### 94.

Did He who made me fashion me for hell, Or destine me for heaven? I cannot tell.

Yet will I not renounce cup, lute and love, Nor earthly cash for heavenly credit sell.

#### 95.

From right and left the censors came and stood,
Saying, "Renounce this wine, this foe of good;"
But if wine be the foe of holy faith,
By Allah, right it is to drink its blood!

93. C. L. N. A. I. J. Arabic words like razá' drop the hamza in Persian, except with the izáfat: (Bl. Prosody 14). For this hamza, ya is often used, as here.

من بنده عاصيم رضاي توكجاست تاريك دلم نور و صفاي توكجاست مارا تو بهشت اگر بطاعت بخشي اين مزد بود لطف وعطاي تو كجاست

## 916

من هیچ ندانم که مرا آن که سرشت کرد اهلِ بهشتِ خوب یا دوزخ زشت جامی و بتی و بربطی بر لب کشت این هر سهٔ مرا نقد و ترا نسیه بهشت

## 90

من مي خورم و مخالفان از چپ و راست گويند مخور بادة كه دينرا اعداست چون دانستم كه مي عدوي دينست والله بخورم خون عدو را كه رواست

<sup>94.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. In line 4 the *izáfat* is dropped after silent he. Bl., Prosody, p. 15.

<sup>95.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. See Koran, ii. 187.

The good and evil with man's nature blent,

The weal and woe that heaven's decrees have
sent,—

Impute them not to motions of the skies,— Skies than thyself ten times more impotent.

## 97.

Against death's arrows what are bucklers worth? What all the pomps and riches of the earth?

When I survey the world, I see no good But goodness, all beside is nothing worth.

# 98.

Weak souls, who from the world cannot refrain, Hold life-long fellowship with ruth and pain;

Hearts free from worldly cares have store of bliss,

All others seeds of bitter woe contain.

<sup>96.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Fate is finerely the decree of Allah. For the distinction between kazá and kadar, see Pocock, Specimen Historiæ Arabum, p. 207.

نیکی و بدی که در نهادِ بشر است شادی و غمی که در قضا و قدر است با چرخ مکن حواله کاندر ره عقّل چرخ از تو هزار بار بیچارهتر است

#### 90

تیریکه اجل کشد سپرها هیچست وین محتشمی و سیم و زرها هیچ است چندانکه بروی کارها در نگرم نیکست که نیکست دگرها هیچ است

## 91

هر دل که درو مایه تجرید کم است بیچاره همه عمر ندیم ندم است جز خاطرِ فارغ که نشاطی دارد باقی همه هر چه هست اسباب غم است

<sup>97.</sup> N. Possibly written on the margin by some pious reader as an answer to No. 86.

<sup>98.</sup> L. N. Tajríd, see Gulshan i Ráz, p. 8, n.

He, in whose bosom wisdom's seed is sown, To waste a single day was never known;

Either he strives to work great Allah's will, Or else exalts the cup, and works his own.

## 100.

When Allah mixed my clay, He knew full well My future acts, and could each one foretell;

Without His will no act of mine was wrought; Is it then just to punish me in hell?

#### 101.

Ye, who cease not to drink on common days, Do not on Friday quit your drinking ways;

Adopt my creed, and count all days the same, Be worshippers of God, and not of days.

<sup>99.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. Tarabe, query, takhme? giving a line in metre 23.

<sup>100.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. Of the Moslem theory of predestination, Khayyam might truly say, "Ten thousand

هر کو طربی زعقل در دل میکاشت یکروز زعمر خویش ضایع نگذاشت یا در طلب رضای یزدان کوشید یا راحت خود گزید و ساغر بر داشت

1 . .

يزدان چو گلِ وجودِ مارا آراست دانست ز فعلِ ما چه خواهد بر خاست بي حڪمش نيست هرگناهي که مراست پس سوختن قيامت از بهرِ چه خواست

1.1

یکهفته شراب خورده باشی پیوست هان تا ندهی بروز آدینه ز دست در مذهب ما شنبه و آدینه بکیست جبّار پرست باش نه روز پرست

mortals, drowned in endless woe, For doing what they were compelled to do."

<sup>101.</sup> L. N. In line 3 scan yakist.

If grace be grace, and Allah gracious be,
Adam from Paradise why banished He?
Grace to poor sinners shown is grace indeed;
In grace hard earned by works no grace I see.

#### 103.

Dame Fortune's smiles are full of guile, beware!

Her scimitar is sharp to smite, take care!

If e'er she drop a sweetmeat in thy mouth,
'Tis poisonous,—to swallow it forbear!

#### 104.

Where'er you see a rose or tulip bed,
Know that a mighty monarch's blood was shed;
And where the violet rears her purple tuft,
Be sure a black-moled girl hath laid her head.

<sup>102.</sup> N. The tashdid of rabb is dropped. Bl., Prosody, p. iv.

<sup>103</sup> C. L. A. B. I. Hish contracted from hosh.

يا رب تو كريبي وكريبي كرم است عاصي زچه رو برون ز باغ ارم است با طاعتم ار ببخشي آن نيست كرم با معصيتم اگر ببخشي كرم است

## 1.5

هُش دار که روزگار شورانگیزست ایمن منشین که تیغ دوران تیزست در گام توگر زمانه لوزینه نهد زنهار فرو مبر که زهر آمیزست

## 1.10

هر جا ڪه گلي و لاله زاري بودست از سرخي جونِ شهرياري بودست هر برگ بنفشه کر زمين مي روتيد خاليست که بر رخ ِنگاري بودست

<sup>104.</sup> B. L. The MSS. have a variation of this, beginning Har khisht ki.

Wine is a melting ruby, cup its mine;
Cup is the body, and the soul is wine;
These crystal goblets smile with ruddy wine
Like tears, that blood of wounded hearts
enshrine.

#### 106.

Drink wine! 'tis life etern, and travail's meed, Fruitage of youth, and balm of age's need;

'Tis the glad time of roses, wine and friends; Rejoice thy spirit—that is life indeed.

# 107.

Drink wine! long must you sleep within the tomb,

Without a friend, or wife to cheer your gloom;
Hear what I say, and tell it not again,
"Never again can withered tulips bloom."

<sup>105.</sup> L. B.

<sup>106.</sup> L. B. There being no izáfat after yárán, sar i mast must agree with hangám.

مي لعلِ مذاب ست و صراحي كانست جسمست پياله و شرابش جانست آن جام ِ بلورين كه ز مي خندانست اشكي ست كه خونِ دل در و پنهانست

1.4

مي نوش كه عمر جاوداني اينست خود حاصلت از دور جواني اينست هنگام كل ست و مل و ياران سر مست خوش باش دمي كه زندگاني اينست

1.4

مي خور كه برير گل بسي خواهي خفت بي مونس و بي حريف و بي همدم وجفت زنهار بكس مگو تو اين رازِ نهفت هر لاله، پژمرده الخواهد بشكفت

<sup>107.</sup> C. A. B. I. J. This recalls the chorus in the Oedipus Coloneus.

They preach how sweet those Houri brides will be,

But I say wine is sweeter—taste and see!

Hold fast this cash, and let that credit go,

And shun the din of empty drums like me.

### 109.

Once and again my soul did me implore,

To teach her, if I might, the heavenly lore;

I bade her learn the Alif well by heart.

Who knows that letter well need learn no more.

### 110.

I came not hither of my own freewill,
And go against my wish, a puppet still;
Cupbearer! gird thy loins, and fetch some
wine;

To purge the world's despite, my goblet fill.

<sup>108.</sup> C. L. A. B. I. J. Súr, 'nuptials.'

<sup>109.</sup> B. Alif kafat, the One (God) is enough. Probably a quotation. Hafiz (Ode 416) uses the same

کویند مرا چو سور با حور خوش ست من می گویم که آب انگور خوش ست این نقد بگیر و دست ازان نسیه بدار کاواز دهل شنیدن از دور خوش ست

#### 1.9

دلگفت مرا علم لدنی هوس اه تعلیم بکن اگر تراِ دست رس است گفتم که اَلفَّ کَفَتْ دگر هیچ مگو درخانه اگرکس است یك حرف بس است

### 11.

چون آمدنم بهن نبُد روزِ نخست وین زفتن بیمرادِ عزمیست درست بر خیز و میان به بند ای ساقی ٔ چست کاندوه ِ جهان بهی فرو خواهم شست

expression: 'He who knows the One knows all.'
110. C. L. A. B. I. J. 'azmé, yá i tankir, or tans ifi?'
See note to No. 373.

How long must I make bricks upon the sea? Beshrew this vain task of idolatry;

Call not Khayyam a denizen of hell; One while in heaven, and one in hell is he.

### 112.

Sweet is the breath of Spring to rose's face, And thy sweet face adds charm to this fair place;

To-day is sweet, but yesterday is sad, And sad all mention of its parted grace.

## 113.

To-night pour wine, and sing a dulcet air, And I upon thy lips will hang, O fair;

Yea, pour some wine as rosy as thy cheeks, My mind is troubled like thy ruffled hair.

<sup>111.</sup> C. L. A. B. I. J. Andar-ba, Bl., Prosody 12.

<sup>112.</sup> C. L. A. B. I. J. Khúsh is pronounced khásh or khúsh. Bl., Prosody, p. 12. Gúyí is generally written

تا چند زنم بروي درياها خشت بيزار شدم ر بت پرستان كنشت خيام كه گفت دوزخی خواهد بود گه رفت بدوزخ و گه اندر به بهشت

#### 117

بر چهره گل نسیم نو روز خوشست در صغی چمن روی دل افروز خوشست از دی که گذشت هرچه گوئی خوش نیست خوش باش و ز دی مگو که امروز خوشست

#### 111

برخيز و بده باده چه جاي سخنست كامشب دهن تـنگكِ تو روزيِّ من است مارا چو رخ خويش مي گلگون ده كين نوبت من چو زلف تو پر شكنست

with hamza and ya, but in some MSS. fatha is substituted for the hamza [?].

<sup>113.</sup> B. Rōzīyyi. See note to No. 28.

Pen, tablet, heaven and hell I looked to see Above the skies, from all eternity;

At last the master sage instructed me, "Pen, tablet, heaven and hell are all in thee."

### 115.

The fruit of certitude he cannot pluck,

The path that leads thereto who never struck,

Nor ever shook the bough with strenuous hand;

To-day is lost; hope for to-morrow's luck.

## 116.

Now spring-tide showers its foison on the land, And lively hearts wend forth, a joyous band, For 'Isa's breath wakes the dead earth to life, And trees gleam white with flowers, like Musa's hand.

<sup>114.</sup> Allah writes his decrees with the "pen" on the "tablet." Koran, lxviii. 1. See Gulshan i Ráz, 1, n. 115. L. B. Lit. "Consider to-morrow your first day."

برتر زسپهٔرخاطرم روزِ نخست طرز یک لوخ و لوخ و قلم و بهشت و دونخ می جست پس گفت مرا معلم از رای درست لوح و قلم و بهشت و دونخ با تُست

## 110

انرا که برنهالِ تحقیق نرُست زاد درست راه درست هر کس زده است دست در شاخی سست امروز چو دی شناس و فردا چو نخست

## 117

اكنون كه جهانرا بخوشي دست رسيست هر زنده دلي را سوي صحرا هَوَسيست بر هر شاخي طلوع موسل دستيست در هر نفسيست در هر نفسيست در هر نفسيست

<sup>116.</sup> B. Alluding to the life-giving breath of Jesus, and the white hand of Moses. (Exodus, iv. 6). Band the white hand of Moses. (Exodus, iv. 6). Band the white hand of Moses. (Exodus, iv. 6). Band the white hand of Moses. (Exodus, iv. 6).

Alas for that cold heart, which never glows

With love, nor e'er that charming madness
knows;

The days misspent with no redeeming love;—

No days are wasted half as much as those!

### 118.

The zephyrs waft thy fragrance, and it takes My heart, and me, his master, he forsakes; Careless of me he pants and leaps to thee, And thee his pattern and ensample makes!

### 119.

Drink wine! and then as Mahmud thou wilt reign,

And hear a music passing David's strain:

Think not of past or future, seize to-day,

Then all thy life will not be lived in vain.

<sup>117.</sup> Bl. L. B. Note wa omitted in line 2, Bl.

<sup>118.</sup> Bl. C. L. A. I. J. Also ascribed to Abu Sa'id bin Abul Khair. C. writes buyi with two yas, and hamza on the first. The second ya seems to be ya i batni or

ای وای بران دل که درو سوزی نیست سودازده مهر دلافروزی نیست روزی که تو بی عشق بسر خواهی برد ضایعتر از ان روز ترا روزی نیست

### 114

از بادِ صبا دلم چو بوي توگرفت مارا بگذاشت جست و جوی توگرفت اکنون ز منش هیچ نمي آید یاد بوي توگرفته بود و خوي تو فرگت

### 119

با باده نشین که ملكِ محمود این است وز چنگ شنو که لخیِ داود این است از آمده و رفته دگر یاد مکن حالی خوش باش زانکه مقصود این است

causifi, though that is usual only before adjectives. Bl., Prosody, p. 11.

<sup>119.</sup> Bl. C. L. A. I. J.

ده عقل و ز نُه رواق وز هشت بهشت هفت اخترم از شش جهت این نامه نوشت کز پنج حواس و چار ارکان و سه روح ایزد بدو عالم چو تو یك کس نسرشت

111

دیریست که صد هزار عیسی دیدست طوریست که صد هزار موسی دیدست قصریست که صد هزار قیصر بگذشت طاقیست که صد هزار کسری دیدست

177

سیم ارچه نه مایه، خردمندانست بی سیمان را باغ ِجهان زندانست از دستِ تهی بنفشه سر در زانوست وزکیسه، زر دهانِ گل خندانست

<sup>121.</sup> L. J. Time is long and life short.

<sup>122.</sup> L. Alluding to the golden stamens of the rose. I supply tihi from the Cambridge MS.

Heaven's wheel has made full many a heart to moan,

And many a budding rose to earth has thrown; Plume thee not on thy youth and lusty strength,

Full many a bud is blasted ere 'tis blown.

#### 124.

What lord is fit to rule but "Truth?" not one. What beings disobey His rule? not one.

All things that are are such as He decrees,
And naught is there beside beneath the sun.

### 125.

That azure coloured vault, and golden tray
Have turned, and will turn yet for many a day;
And just so we, impelled by turns of fate,—
We come here for a while, then pass away,

<sup>123.</sup> L. In line 3 scan jawániyay.

<sup>124.</sup> C. L. A. I. "The Truth" is the Sufi name for the Deity. Note tashdid on Hakk dropped.

بس خون کسان که چرخ بیباك بریخت بس گل که بر آمد از گل و پاك بریخت بر حسن و جواني اي پسر غرّه مشو بس عنچه ناشگفته بر خاك بریخت

#### 175

جز حق حَکمی که حکّم را شاید نیست هستی که ز حکم او برون آید نیست هر چیز که هست آنچنان میباید آنچیز که آنچنان نمی باید نیست

# 110

این گمبد لاجوردی و زرین طشت بسیار بگشتست و دگر خواهد گشت یکچند ز اقتضای دوران قضا ما نیز چو دیگران رسیدیم و گذشت

<sup>125.</sup> Bl. L. Guzasht, "It is all over with us." Bl., "Golden tray," the Sun. In line 1 scan lájăwardiyō. Bl., Prosody, p. 11.

The Master did himself these vessels frame,
Why should he cast them out to scorn and
shame?

If he has made them well, why should he break them?

Yea, though he marred them, they are not to blame.

## 127.

Kindness to friends and foes 'tis well to show, No kindly heart can prove unkind, I trow:

Harshness will alienate a bosom friend, And kindness reconcile a deadly foe.

### 128.

To lover true, what matters dark or fair?

Or if the loved one silk, or sackcloth wear,

Or lie on down or dust, or rise to heaven?

Yea, though she sink to hell, he'll seek her there.

<sup>126.</sup> C. L. A. I. J. In line 4 suwar is an Arabic plural used as a singular. Bl., Prosody, p. 5.

دارنده چو ترکیب طبانع آراست از بهْرِ چه او فگندش اندر کم و کاست گرنیك آمد شکستن از بهْرِ چه بود ور نیك نیامد این صُور عیب کراست

#### 114

با دشمن و دوست فعلِ نیکو نیکوست بد کی کند آنکه نیکیس عادت و خوست با دوست چو بد کنی شود دشمن تو با دشمن اگر نیك کنی گردد دوست

#### 111

در چشم محققان چه زیبا چه زشت منزلگه عاشقان چه دوزخ چه بهشت پوشیدن بیدلان چه اطلس چه پلاس زیر سرِ عاشقان چه بالین چه خشت

<sup>127.</sup> L. In line 2 scan nēykiyāsh.

<sup>128.</sup> L. Probably mystical.

Full many a hill and vale I journeyed o'er;

Journeyed through the world's wide quarters four,

But never heard of pilgrim who returned; When once they go, they go to come no more.

### 130.

Wine-houses flourish through this thirst of mine, Loads of remorse weigh down this back of mine;

Yet, if I sinned not, what would mercy do? Mercy depends upon these sins of mine.

### 131.

Thy being is the being of Another,
Thy passion is the passion of Another.

Cover thy head, and think, and thou wilt see, Thy hand is but the cover of Another.

<sup>129.</sup> C. L. N. (in part) A. I. J.

<sup>130.</sup> C. Bl. L. A. I. J. Bl. quotes similar sentiments from Nizámi and Háfiz. Mercy is God's highest attribute, and sin is required to call it forth.

بسیار بگشتیم بگردِ در و دشت اندر همه آفاق بگشتیم بگشت از کس نشنیدیم که آمد زین راه راهی که برفت راهرو باز نگشت

#### 11.

آبادِ خرابات ز مي خوردنِ ماست خونِ دو هزار توبه در گردنِ ماست گر من نڪنم گناه رحمت ڪه ڪند رحمت همه موقوفِ گنه کردنِ ماست

# 111

این هستیِ تو هستیِ هستی دگرست وین مستیِ تو مستیِ مستی دگرست رو سر بگریـبانِ تـفکّر در کش کین دستِ تو اَستینِ دستی دگرست

<sup>131.</sup> Bl. Meaning, God is the Fá'il i hakíkí, the only real agent. Hastí digár—another being—hast, with yá i batni.

From learning to the cup your bridle turn;
All lore of world to come, save Kausar, spurn;
Your turban pawn for wine, or keep a shred
To bind your brow, and all the remnant burn.

### 133.

See! from the world what profit have I gained? What fruitage of my life in hand retained?

What use is Jamshed's goblet, once 'tis crushed?

What pleasure's torch, when once its light has waned?

### 134.

When life is spent, what's Balkh or Nishapore? What sweet or bitter, when the cup runs o'er? Come drink! full many a moon will wax and wane

In times to come, when we are here no more.

<sup>132.</sup> N. The metre shows we must pronounce tarafe, "a portion," not tarfe, "a girdle." Kausar, the river of wine in Paradise.

## 177 -

از فضل عنان بهپیچ و در ساغر پیچ از خلد و سقر بگذر و درکوثر پیچ دستارِ قصب بباده بفروش ومترس کم کن قصبی پس طرفی بر سر پیچ

### 1 77

بنگر زجهان چه طرّف بربستم هیچ وز حاصلِ عمر چیست در دستم هیچ شمّع طربم ولی چو بنشستم هیچ من جام ِ هم ولی چو بشکستم هیچ

### 176

چون جان بلب آمد چه نشاپور وچه بلخ پیمانه چو پر شود چه شیرین و چه تلخ می نوش که بعد از من و تومماه بسی از سلخ بغره آید از غره بسلخ

<sup>133.</sup> L. N. Tarf bar bastan, "to reap advantage." 134. C. L. N. A. B. I. J.

O fair! whose cheeks checkmate red eglantine, And draw the game with those fair maids of Chin;

You played one glance against the king of Babil

And took his pawns, and knights, and rooks, and queen.

### 136.

Life's caravan is hastening on its way;

Brood not on troubles of the coming day,

But fill the wine-cup, ere sweet night be gon

But fill the wine-cup, ere sweet night be gone, And snatch a pleasant moment, while you may.

### 137.

He, who the world's foundations erst did lay, Doth bruise full many a bosom day by day,

And many a ruby lip and musky tress

Doth coffin in the earth, and shroud with clay.

<sup>135.</sup> L. B. For Bábil L. reads Máil.

<sup>136.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. The "rinds" loved a dark night. Bl.

ای عارض تو نهاده در نسرین طرّح روی تو فگنده در بتان چین طرّح دی عَمرَه، تو داده شع بابل را اسپ و رخ و فیل و بیذی و فرزین طرّح

#### 1177

این قافله، عمر عجب میگذرد دریاب دمی که از طرب میگذرد ساقی غم فردای حریفان چه خوری پیش آر پیاله را که شب میگذرد

#### 120

آنکس که زمین و چرخ و افلاك نهاد بس داغ که او بر دلِ غمناك نهاد بسیار لب چو لعل وزلفین چو مشك در طبل زمین و حقّهٔ خاك نهاد

<sup>137.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. So Job, "Is it good unto thee that thou shouldest oppress, that thou shouldest despise the work of thine hands?"

Be not beguiled by world's insidious wiles;
O foolish ones, ye know her tricks and guiles;
Your precious lifetime cast not to the winds;
Haste to seek wine, and court a sweetheart's smiles.

### 139.

Comrades! I pray you, physic me with wine, Make this wan amber face like rubies shine, And, if I die, use wine to wash my corpse, And frame my coffin out of planks of vine!

### 140.

When Allah yoked the coursers of the sun,
And launched the Pleiades their race to run,
My lot was fixed in fate's high chancery;
Then why blame me for wrong that fate has
done?

<sup>138.</sup> N.

<sup>139.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. Kahrabá, "amber," literally "attractor of straw." Rúy i—izáfat before the epithet. Lumsden, ii. 259.

ای بیخبران عشوه؛ دنیا مخرید چون از همه حالهای او با خبرید و ین عمر عزیزِ خویش مدهید بباد هان یار طلب کنید و هین باده خورید

### 129

اي همنفسان مرا ز مي قونت كنيد وين روي چو كهربا چو ياقوت كنيد چون مرده شوم بمي بشوئيد مرا وز چوب رزم تختهء تابوت كنيد

### 110.

آنروزکه توسنِ فلك زین کردند وارایشِ مشتریّ و پروین کردند این بود نصیبِ ما ز دیوانِ قضاً مارا چه گنه قسمتِ ما این کردند

140. C. L. N. A. I. J. Also ascribed to Afzul Káshí. *Mushtărīyyō*, see Bl., Prosody, p. 11. In line 3 some MSS. read *mai* for *in*. See No. 144.

Ah! seasoned wine oft falls to rawest fools,
And clumsiest workmen own the finest tools;
And Turki maids, fit to delight men's hearts,
Lavish their smiles on beardless boys in schools!

### 142.

Whilom, ere youth's conceit had waned, methought

Answers to all life's problems I had wrought; But now, grown old and wise, too late I see My life is spent, and all my lore is naught.

### 143.

They, who of prayer-mats make such great display,

Are fools to bear hypocrisy's hard sway; Strange! under cover of this saintly show They live like heathen, and their faith betray.

- 141. N. So Hafiz, 'If that Turki maid of Shiraz,' etc.
- 142. N. [C. A. and I. give another version of this.]
- 143. C. L. N. A. I. In line 2, note the arrange-

افسوس که نان پخته خامان دارند اسباب تمام ناتمامان دارند چشم خوش ترکان بتماشای دلست ملکیست که شاگرد و غلامان دراند

### 141

اکنون که دم زعمر محروم نشد کم بود زاسرار که مفهوم نشد چون نیك همی بنگرم از روی خرد عثرم بگذشت و هیچ معلوم نشد

### 1100

آنـقوم که سجّاده پرستند خرند زیرا که بزیرِ بارِ سالوس درند ویـن از همه طرفهتر که در پرده، زهْد اسلام فروشند و زکافر بترند

ment of the prepositions ba.... dar, Bl., Prosody 13. There is a proverb, "The Devil lives in Mecca and Medinah."

To him, who would his sins extenuate,

Let pious men this verse reiterate,

"To call God's prescience the cause of sin

"To call God's prescience the cause of sin In wisdom's purview is but folly's prate."

### 145.

He brought me hither, and I felt surprise,

From life I gather but a dark surmise,

I go against my will;—thus, why I come,

Why live, why go, are all dark mysteries.

## 146.

When I recall my grievous sins to mind,
Fire burns my breast, and tears my vision blind;
Yet, when a slave repents, is it not meet
His lord should pardon, and again be kind?

<sup>144.</sup> L. N. Sahl, "of no account."

<sup>145.</sup> C. L. N. A.

<sup>146.</sup> L. N. In line 2, az sar guzarad means "drops

آذڪس که گنه بنزدِ او سهْل بود اين نڪته بگويد انڪه او اهْل بود علم ازلي علّتِ عصيان کردن نزديكِ حکيم غايتِ جُهل بود نزديكِ حکيم غايتِ جُهل بود

## 110

آورد باضطرابم اول بوجود جز حیرتم از حیات چیزی نفزود رفتیم باکراه و ندانیم چه بود رین آمدن و رفتن و بودن مقصود

### 1164

اندیشه جرمم چو بخاطر گذرد از آتشِ سینه آبم از سر گذرد لیکن شرطست بنده چون تؤبه کند مخدوم بلطف خویش از سرگذرد

from the eyes," and in line 4, "remits the penalty." This change of meaning is called *Tajnis*.

They at whose lore the whole world stands amazed,

Whose high thoughts, like Borák, to heaven are raised,

Strive to know Thee in vain, and like heaven's wheel

Their heads are turning, and their brains are dazed.

#### 148.

Allah hath promised wine in Paradise,

Why then should wine on earth be deemed a vice?

An Arab in his cups cut Hamzah's girths,— For that sole cause was drink declared a vice.

#### 149.

Now of old joys naught but the name is left, Of all old friends but wine we are bereft,

And that wine new, but still cleave to the cup, For save the cup, what single joy is left?

<sup>147.</sup> C. L. N. A. Borák, the steed on which Muhammad made his famous nocturnal ascent to heaven.
148. L. N. Nicolas says this refers to an event

## 11ºV

آنها که خلاصه جهان ایشانند بر اوچ فلك براق فكرت رانند در معرفت ذات تو مانند فلك سرگشته و سرنگون و سرگردانند

### 110

ایزد ببهشت وعده با ما می کرد پس در دو جهان حرام میراکی کرد شخصی زعرب بافه ٔ حمزه پی کرد پیغمبر ما حرام می بر وی کرد

## 1109

اکنون که ز خوشدلي بجر نام نهأند یك همدم پخته جر مي خام نماند دست طرب از ساغر می باز مگیر امروزکه در دست بجر جام نماند

which occured to Hamzah, a relation of Muhammad. 149. L. N. B. In line 2 scan mayā.

The world will last long after Khayyam's fame Has passed away, yea, and his very name;

Aforetime we were not, and none did heed. When we are dead and gone, 'twill be the same.

### 151.

The sages who have compassed sea and land,
Their secret to search out, and understand,—
My mind misgives me if they ever solve
The scheme on which this universe is planned.

### 152.

Ah! wealth takes wings, and leaves our hands all bare,

And death's rough hands delight our hearts to tear;

And from the nether world let none escape, To bring us news of the poor pilgrims there.

<sup>150.</sup> N. The contraction bud for bud is archaic, Bl., Prosody 13.

<sup>151.</sup> C. L. N. A. I.

ای بس که نباشیم و جهان خواهد بود نی نام ز ما و نی تشان خواهد بود زین پیش نبودیم و نبُد هیچ خلل زین پس چو نباشیم و همان خواهد بود

101

آنها که جهان زیرِ قدم فرسودند و اندر طلبش هر دو جهان پیمودند آگاه نمیشوم که ایشان هرگز زین حال چنانکه هست آگه بودند زین حال چنانکه هست آگه بودند

101

افسوس که سرمایه زکف بیرون شد وز دست اجل بسی جگرها خون شد کس نامد از آلجهان که پرسم از وي کاحوال مسافران عالم چون شد

<sup>152.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. In line 3 the Alif in az wé is not treated as an Alif i wasl, hence sam, the syllable preceding it, is long.

'Tis passing strange, those titled noblemen
Find their own lives a burden sore, but when
They meet with poorer men, not slaves to
sense,

They scarcely deign to reckon them as men.

### 154.

The wheel on high, still busied with despite,
Will ne'er unloose a wretch from his sad plight;
But when it lights upon a smitten heart,
Straightway essays another blow to smite.

### 155.

Now is the volume of my youth outworn,
And all my spring-tide blossoms rent and torn.
Ah, bird of youth! I marked not when you came,

Nor when you fled, and left me thus forlorn.

<sup>153.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. In line 4 scan Adamēshā. See Bl., Prosody, p. xii. Section xxix.

<sup>154.</sup> C. L. N. A. I.—Note ra separated from its

این جمّع ِاکابر که مناصب دارند از غصّه و غم ز جانِ خود بیزارند و آنکس که اسیرِ حرص چون ایشان نیست وین طرفه که آدمیش می نشّمارند

### 1010

ايس چرخ جفابيشه عالي بنياد هرگز گره كار كسي را نكشاد هرگز گره كار كسي را نكشاد هرجا كه داي ديد كه داغي دارد داغ دگري بر سرآن داغ نهاد

### 100

افسوس كه نامهء جوانى طى شد وين تازه بهار شادماني طي شد آنمرغ طرب كه نام او بود شباب فرياد ندانم كه كي آمد كي شد

noun by intervening genitives. Vullers, Section 207. 155. C. L. N. A. I. In line 4 scan kayamad, dissolving the diphthong.

These fools, by dint of ignorance most crass,

Think they in wisdom all mankind surpass;

And glibly do they damn as infidel,

Whoever is not, like themselves, an ass.

### 157.

Still be the wine-house thronged with its glad choir,

And Pharisaic skirts burnt up with fire;
Still be those tattered frocks, and azure robes
Trod under feet of revellers in the mire.

### 158.

Why toil ye to ensue illusions vain,

And good or evil of the world attain?

Ye rise like Zamzam, or the fount of life,

And, like them, in earth's bosom sink again.

<sup>156.</sup> N. So Job, "Ye are the people, and wisdom shall die with you." Probably addressed to the 'Ulama.

با این دو سه نادان که جهاندارانند از جهل که دانای جهان ایشانند خوشباش که از خرمی ایشان بهثل هر کو نه خرست کافرش میدانند

#### 100

پیوسته خرابات ز رندان خوشباد در دامن زهد زاهدان آتش باد آن دلق بصد پاره و آن صوف کبود افتاده بزیر پای ذردی کش باد

#### 101

تاچند اسير رنـگ و بو خواهي شد چند ازپـي ِ هر رشت و نکـو خواهی شد گر چشمه زمزمي وگر ز آبِ حيّات آخر بدلِ خاك فرو خواهي شد ...

<sup>157.</sup> C. L. N. A. J. Hafiz (Ode V.) speaks of the blue robes of certain Darvishes, as a mark of hypocrisy. 158. C. L. N. A. I.

Till the Friend pours his wine to glad my heart, No kisses to my face will heaven impart:

They say, "Repent in time;" but how repent, Ere Allah's grace hath softened my hard heart?

### 160.

When I am dead, take me and grind me small, So that I be a caution unto all,

And knead me into clay with wine, and then Use me to stop the wine-jar's mouth withal.

### 161.

What though the sky with its blue canopy

Doth close us in so that we cannot see,

In the etern Cupbearer's wine, methinks,

There float a myriad bubbles like to me.

<sup>159.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. Meaning, man is powerless to mend his ways without Divine grace.

<sup>160.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J.

تا یار شراب جانفزایم ندهد صد بوسه فلك بر سر و پایم ندهد گویند که توبه کن اگر وقت آید چون توبه کنم تا که خدایم ندهد

#### 17

چون مرده شوم خاك مرا كم سازيد واحول مرا عبرت مردم سازيد خاك تن من بباده آغشته كنيد وز كالبدم خشت سرخم سازيد

### 171

خیّام اگرچه خرگهِ چرخ کبود زد خیمه و دربست در کِفت و شنود چون شکلِ حبابِ باده در جام ِ وجود سا قیّ ِ ازل هزار خیّام نمود

<sup>161.</sup> N. For the tashdid on sákīyyi in line 4, see Bl., Prosody, p. 11, and Lumsden, Grammar, vol. ii., p. 247.

Take heart! Long in the weary tomb you'll lie, While stars keep countless watches in the sky,

And see your ashes moulded into bricks, To build another's house and turrets high.

### 163.

Glad hearts, who seek not notoriety, Nor flaunt in gold and silken bravery,

Haunt not this ruined earth like gloomy owls, But wing their way, Simurgh-like, to the sky.

### 164.

Wine's power is known to wine-bibbers alone, To narrow heads and hearts 'tis never shown;

I blame not them who never felt its force, For, till they feel it, how can it be known?

<sup>162.</sup> L. N. C. A. and I. split this into two. In line 1 note izáfat dropped after silent he.

خوشباش که غصه بیکران خواهد بود بر چرخ قران اختران خواهد بود خشتی که ز قالب تو خواهند زدن ایوان سرای دیگران خواهد بود

### 1 45

خرّم دلِ آنکسی که معروف نشُد در جُبّه و درّاعه و در صوف نشد سیمرغ صفت بعرش پروازی کرد در کنج خرابه، جهان بوف نشُد

### 1710

حال گل و مل باده پرستان دانسند نه تَـنگدلان و تـنـگدستان دانـند از بیخبری بیخبران معذورند ذوقیست درین شیوه که مستان دانـند

<sup>163.</sup> C. L. N. A. I.

<sup>164.</sup> C. N. A. I. J.

Needs must the tavern-haunter bathe in wine, For none can make a tarnished name to shine;

Go! bring me wine, for none can now restore Its pristine sheen to this soiled veil of mine.

### 166.

I wasted life in hope, yet gathered not
In all my life of happiness one jot;
Now my fear is that life may not endure,
Till I have taken vengeance on my lot!

### 167.

Be very wary in the soul's domain,

And on the world's affairs your lips refrain;

Be, as it were, sans tongue, sans ear, sans eye, While tongue, and ears, and eyes you still retain.

<sup>165.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. In line 3 scan mastúriyi dissolving the letter of prolongation yá.

در میکده جز بهی وضو نتوان کرد و ان نام که زشت شد نکو نتوان کرد می ده که کنون پرده مستوری ما بذریده چنان شد که رفو نتوان کرد

#### 177

دادم بامید روزگاری بر باد نا بود ز روزگار خود روزی شاد زان میترسم که روزگارم ندهد چندانکه ز روزگار بشتانم داد

# 174

در عالم جان بهوش میباید بُـود در کار جَهان خموش میـباید بود تـا چشم و زبان و گوش بر عجا باشد بیچشم و زبان و گوش میباید بُود ..

166. C. L. N. A. I. Rozgáré, "some time." In line 3, note the madd of An dropped. Bl., Prosody, p. 11. 167. L. N.

Let him rejoice who has a loaf of bread, A little nest wherein to lay his head,

Is slave to none, and no man slaves for him,—
In truth his lot is wondrous well bested.

### 169.

What adds my service to Thy majesty?

Or how can sin of mine dishonour Thee?

O pardon, then, and punish not, I know

Thou 'rt slow to wrath, and prone to clemency.

### 170.

Hands, such as mine, that handle bowls of wine, 'Twere shame to book and pulpit to confine;

Zealot! thou'rt dry, and I am moist with drink,

Yea, far too moist to catch that fire of thine!

<sup>168.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. Note wa omitted.

<sup>169.</sup> C. L. N. A. I.

<sup>170.</sup> L. N. I follow Nicolas in taking mani as a

در دھر ھر آن کہ نیم نانی دارد از بھر نشست آشیانی دارد نہ خادم کس بود نہ مخدوم کسی گو شاد بزی کہ خوش جھانی دارد

### 179

در مِلْكِ تو از طاعتِ من هیچ فزود وز معصیتی که رفت نقصانی بود بگذار و مگیر چونکه معلوم شد گیرنده، دیری و گذازنده، زود

### IV

دستی چو منی که جام و ساغرگیرد حیفست که او دفتر و منبرگیرد تو زاهد خشکتی و منم فاسق تنر آئش نشنیده ام که در تر گیرد

possessive pronoun, "mine," though such a word is not mentioned in any grammar or dictionary. It occurs again in No. 478.

Whose aspires to gain a rose-cheeked fair,
Sharp pricks from fortune's thorns must learn
to bear.

See! till this comb was cleft by cruel cuts, It never dared to touch my lady's hair.

### 172.

For ever may my hands on wine be stayed,
And my heart pant for some fair Houri maid!
They say, "May Allah aid thee to repent!"
Repent I could not, e'en with Allah's aid!

### 173.

Soon shall I go, by time and fate deplored, Of all my precious pearls not one is bored;

Alas! there die with me a thousand truths
To which these fools fit audience ne'er accord.

<sup>171.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. Lyttleton expresses a similar sentiment.

<sup>172.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. Note the conjunctive pro-

در دهر کسی بگلعذاری نرسید تا بر دلش از زمانه خاری نرسید در شانه نگرکه تا بصد شاخ نشد دستش بسر زلفِ نگاری نرسید

IVI

در دست همیشه آب انگورم باد در سر هَوس بتانِ چون حورم باد گونید مرا که ایزدت توبه دهاد او خود بدهد من نکنم دُورم باد

IV

رفتیم و زما زمانه آشفته بمائد با آنکه زصدگهریکی سفته نمائد افسوسکه صد هزار معنی دقیق از بیخَرَدیِ خلق ناگفته بمائد

noun am separated from its noun, Bl., Prosody, p. xiii. 173. C. L. N. A. I. For the tashdids on maniyyi and bekhiradiyyi, see Bl., Prosody, p. 11.

To-day how sweetly breathes the temperate air, The rains have newly laved the parched parterre;

And Bulbuls cry in notes of ecstacy,
"Thou too, O pallid rose, our wine must share!"

### 175.

Ere you succumb to shocks of mortal pain, The rosy grape-juice from your wine-cup drain.

You are not gold, that, hidden in the earth, Your friends should care to dig you up again!

### 176.

My coming brought no profit to the sky,

Nor does my going swell its majesty;

Coming and going put me to a stand,

Ear never heard their wherefore nor their why.

<sup>174.</sup> L. N. B. Note khward rhyming with gard. Bl., Prosody, p. 12. The waw, of course, does not count. 175. C. L. N. A. B. I. J. Note the old form of the imperative, farmáy. Bl., Prosody, p. 13.

IVE

روزیست خوش و هوا نه گرمست ونه سرد ابر از رخ گلزار همی شوید گرد بلبل بسزبان حالِ ما با گلِ زرد فریاد همی زند که مَی باید خورْد

140

زان پیش که غمهات شبیخون آرند فرمای که تا باده گلگون آرند تو زر نه ای غافل نادان که ترا در خاک نهند و باز بیرون آرند

141

از آمدنم نبود گردونرا سُود وز رفتنِ مَن جاه و جلالش نفزود وز هیچکسی نیز دو گوشم نشنود کین آمدن و رفتنم از بهْرِ چه بُود

<sup>176.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. In line 4 read *ámadan* for *ámadanam*, which will not scan. Voltaire has some similar lines in his poem on the Lisbon earthquake.

The heavenly Sage, whose wit exceeds compare, Counteth each vein, and numbereth every hair;

Men you may cheat by hypocritic arts, But how cheat Him to whom all hearts are bare?

### 178.

Ah! wine lends wings to many a weary wight, And beauty spots to ladies' faces bright;

All Ramazan I have not drunk a drop,
Thrice welcome then, O Bairam's blessed night!

### 179.

All night in deep bewilderment I fret,
With tear-drops big as pearls my breast is wet;
I cannot fill my cranium with wine,
How can it hold wine, when 'tis thus upset?

<sup>177.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J.

<sup>178.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. Bairam, the feast on the 1st

سرت همه دانای فلك میداند كو موی بموی و رك برك میداند گیرم كه بزرق خلقرا بفریبي با او چه كنی كه یك بـیك میداند

IVA

سودازده را باده پر و بال بُود می در رخ خاتون خرد و خال بُود ماه رمضان باده مخوردیم و برفت باری شب عید ماه شوال بُود

149

شب نیست که عقل در تحیّر نشود وز گریه کنار من پر از دُر نشود پر می نشود کاسه، سر از سودا هر کاسه که سر نگون بُود پر نشود

Shawwal, after Ramazan. In line 2, khirad seems wrong, the rhyme would suggest khar o?

<sup>179.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. Note tashdid of durr dropped.

To prayer and fasting when my heart inclined, All my desire I surely hoped to find;

Alas! my purity is stained with wine,
My prayers are wasted like a breath of wind.

### 181.

I worship rose-red cheeks with heart and soul,
I suffer not my hand to quit the bowl,
I make each part of me his function do,
Or e'er my parts be swallowed in the Whole.

### 182.

This worldly love of yours is counterfeit,
And, like a half-spent blaze, lacks light and heat;
True love is his, who for days, months and
years,

Rests not, nor sleeps, nor craves for drink or meat.

<sup>180.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. In line 2, scan kulliyam. In line 4, note izáfat dropped after silent he.

<sup>181.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. Line 4 alludes to reabsorption

طبعم بنماز و روزه چون مائل شد گفتم که مرادِ کلّیم حاصل شد افسوس که آن وضوببادی بشکست وان روزه به نیم جرعه می باطل شد

111

طبعم همه با روي چوگل پيوندد دستم همه با ساغر مل پيوندد از هر جزوى نصيب خود بر دارم زان پيش كه جزويم بكل پيوندد

111

عشقی که مجازی بود آبش نبود چون آتشِ نیم مرده تابش ذبود عاشق باید که ماه و سال و شب و روز آرام و قرار و خورد و خوابش نبود

in the Divine essence. Note juzuiyam, and tashdid of kull dropped.

<sup>182.</sup> L. N. B. Line 3 is in metre 17.

Why spend life in vainglorious essay
All Being and Not-being to survey?
Since Death is ever pressing at your heels,
'Tis best to drink or dream your life away.

### 184.

Some hanker after that vain phantasy
Of Houris, feigned in Paradise to be;
But, when the veil is lifted, they will find.
How far they are from Thee, how far from Thee!

### 185.

In Paradise, they tell us, Houris dwell,
And fountains run with wine and oxymel:
If these be lawful in the world to come,
Surely 'tis right to love them here as well.

<sup>183.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. In line 2, scan păyi. Being, i.e. the Deity, the only real existence, and Not-being,

عمرت تاکی بخود پرستی گذرد یا در پَی نیستی و هستی گذرد می نوش که عمری که اجل درپی اوست آن به که بخواب یا بهستی گذرد

1110

قومی زگزاف در غرور افتادند و اندر طلبِ حور و قصور افستادند معلوم شود چو پردها در دارند کزکوی تو دور و دور افستادند

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گویند بهشت و حور و عین خواهد بود وانجا سی ناب و انگذین خواهد بود گر ما می و معشوقه پرستیم رواست چون عاقبت کار همین خواهد بود ..

the nonentity in which His attributes are reflected. See Gulshan i Ráz, p. 14.

184. C. L. N. A. I. 185. C. L. N. A. I. J.

A draught of wine would make a mountain dance,

Base is the churl who looks at wine askance;
Wine is a soul our bodies to inspire,
A truce to this vain talk of temperance!

### 187.

Oft doth my soul her prisoned state bemoan, Her earth-born comate she would fain disown, And quit, did not the stirrup of the law Upbear her foot from dashing on the stone.

### 188.

The moon of Ramazan is risen, see!

Alas, our wine must henceforth banished be;

Well! on Sha'bán's last day I'll drink enough

To keep me drunk till Bairam's jubilee.

<sup>186.</sup> C. L. N. A. I.

<sup>187.</sup> N. Meaning, 'I would make away with myself, were it not for "the Almighty's canon 'gainst

گر باده بكوه بر زني رقص كند ناقص بود آنكه باده را نقص كند از باده مرا توبه چه ميفرمائي روحيست كه او تربيت شخص كند

### INV

که که دل من درین قسفس تنگ آید از همرهی آب و گلش نندگ آید گفتم که مگر بشکنم این زندانرا پایم زرکاب شرع بر سنگ آید

### 1

گویند که ماه رمضان گشت پدید من بعد بگرد باده نـتوان گردید در آخر شعبان مجورم چندان می کاندر رمضان مست بیفتم تا عید

self-slaughter."

<sup>188.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. Note wa omitted in line 2. Also ascribed to Jalal 'Asad Bardi.

From life we draw now wine, now dregs to drink,

Now flaunt in silk, and now in tatters shrink; Such changes wisdom holds of slight account To those who stand on death's appalling brink!

### 190.

What sage the eternal tangle e'er unravelled, Or one short step beyond his nature travelled? From pupils to the masters turn your eyes, And see, each mother's son alike is gravelled.

### 191.

Crave not of worldly sweets to take your fill, Nor wait on turns of fortune, good or ill; Be of light heart, as are the skies above,

They roll a round or two, and then lie still.

189. N.

<sup>190.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. In line 1, note rá put after the genitive following its noun. 'Ijz...." impotence is

گه شربتِ عیش صاف باشد گه دُرد گه پوششِ ما پلاش باشد گه بُرد اینها همه سهل است بنژدِ عاقل این واقعه سهٔلست که میباید مُرد

### 19.

کس مشکلِ اسرارِ ازلرا نُکُشاد کس یکقدم از نهاد بیرون نُـنُهاد من مینگرم ز مبتدی تا استاد عجز است بدست هرکه از مادر زاد

### 191

کم کن طمع جهان که باشی خرسند از نیك و بد زمانه بگسل پیوند خوشباش چنانکه هست این دور فلك هم بگذرد و نِماند این دوري چند ٍ.

in the hand of each." "Beyond his nature," i.e. beyond the limits of his own thought.

<sup>191.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. The skies have their allotted term like you, yet do not distress themselves.

What eye can pierce the veil of God's decrees, Or read the riddle of earth's destinies?

Pondered have I for years threescore and ten, But still am baffled by these mysteries.

### 193.

They say, when the last trump shall sound its knell,

Our Friend will sternly judge, and doom to hell.

Can aught but good from perfect goodness
come?

Compose your trembling hearts, 't will all be well.

### 194.

Drink wine to root up metaphysic weeds,
And tangle of the two-and-seventy creeds;
Do not forswear that wondrous alchemy,
'Twill turn to gold, and cure a thousand needs.

<sup>192.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. So Job, "The thunder of his power who can understand?"

<sup>193.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Juzi, (?) juz az.

<sup>194.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. Muhammad said, "My

کس را پس پرده، قضا راه نشد وز سرِ قدر هیچ کس آگاه نشد هفتاد و دو سال فکر کردم شب و روز معلوم نگشت و قصّه کوتاه نشد

## 191

گویند بحشرگفتگو خواهد بود و ان یارِ عزیژ تندخو خواهد بود از خیرِ محض جرِ نکوئي ناید خوشباش که عاقبت نکو خواهد بود

### 191

می خورکه زدل کشرت و قلّت ببرد و اندیشه، هفتاد و دو ملّت ببرد پر هیز مکن زکیمیانی که ازو یکمن بخوری هزار علّت ببرد

people shall be divided into seventy-three sects, all of which, save one, shall have their portion in the fire." Pocock, Specimen 210.

Though drink is wrong, take care with whom you drink,

And who you are that drink, and what you drink;

And drink at will, for, these three points observed,

Who but the very wise can ever drink?

### 196.

To drain a gallon beaker I design,

Yea, two great beakers, brimmed with richest wine;

Old faith and reason thrice will I divorce, Then take to wife the daughter of the vine.

### 197.

True I drink wine, like every man of sense, For I know Allah will not take offence;

Before time was, He knew that I should drink, And who am I to thwart His prescience?

<sup>195.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. A hit at the casuistry on the subject of wine.

می گرچه حرامست ولی تاکه خورد وآنگاه چه مقدار و دگر با که خورد هرگاه که این سه شرط شد راست بگو گر می نخورد مردم دانا که خورد

### 194

من باده بجام يكمني خواهم كرد خودرا بدو جام مى غني خواهم كرد اوّل سه طلاق عقل و دين خواهم داد پس دختر رز را بزني خواهم كرد

### 194

من میخورم و هرکه چُو من اهْل بود می خوردنِ او نـزدِ خدا سهْل بود می خوردنِ من حق از ازل میدانست گر من نخورم علم ِخدا جهْل بود

<sup>196.</sup> C. N. A. I. A triple divorce is irrevocable. Koran, ii. 230.

<sup>197.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I.

Rich men, who take to drink, the world defy With shameless riot, and as beggars die;

Place in my ruby pipe some emerald hemp, 'Twill do as well to blind care's serpent eye.

### 199.

These fools have never burnt the midnight oil In deep research, nor do they ever toil

To step beyond themselves, but dress them fine,

And plot of credit others to despoil.

### 200.

When false dawn streaks the east with cold grey line,

Pour in your cups the pure blood of the vine; The truth, they say, tastes bitter in the mouth, This is a token that the "Truth" is wine.

<sup>198.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. Scan af'ayī. The emerald is supposed to have the virtue of blinding serpents.

<sup>199.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. Shámé chand: Vullers (p. 253) takes this ya to be yá i tankír; and Lumsden (ii. 269) says the presence of this letter, between a noun and its

میخواره اگر غنی بود عُور شود وز عُربدْه اش جهان پر از شُور شود در حقّه، لعل زان زمرد ریزم تا دیده، انْعی ِ غمم کُور شود

### 199

نابرُده بصبح در طلب شامی چند ننهاده ز خویشتن برون گامی چند در کسوت خاص آمده عامی چند بدنام کننده ٔ نکونامی چند

و قتي كه طلوع صبع ازرق باشد بايد بكفت جام مُروق باشد گويند كه حق <sup>تال</sup>خ بود در افواه بايد كه بدين دليل مي حق باشد

attribute, dispenses with the *izáfat* (?). But why not add the *izáfat*, and scan Shamiyi?

<sup>200.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. False dawn, the faint light before sunrise.

Now is the time earth decks her greenest bowers, And trees, like Musa's hand, grow white with flowers!

As 't were at 'Isa's breath the plants revive, While clouds brim o'er, like tearful eyes, with showers.

### 202.

O burden not thyself with drudgery,

Lord of white silver and red gold to be;

But feast with friends, ere this warm breath of thine

Be chilled in death, and earthworms feast on thee.

### 203.

The showers of grape-juice, which cupbearers pour,

Quench fires of grief in many a sad heart's core; Praise be to Allah, who hath sent this balm To heal sore hearts, and spirits' health restore!

<sup>201.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. Musa and 'Isa are often written without the alif i maksúr. Bl., Prosody 3. 202. N.

و قتست که از سبزه جهان آرایند موسی صفتان ز شاخ کف بنمایند. عیسی صفتان ز خاك بیرون آیند وز چشم سحاب چشمها بگشایند

### 7.7

هان تا ننهی بر تنِ خود غصّه و درد تا جمع کنی سیم سفید و زرِ زرد زان پیش که گردد نفسِ گرم تو سود با دوست بخور که دشمنت خواهد خورْد

### ٦٠٣

هر جُرعه که ساقیش بجام افشاند در دیده گرم آتشِ غم بنشاند سبحان الله ز باده میپنداري آبي که ز صد درد دلت برهاند

<sup>203.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. In line 1 some MSS. read bakhák. Dídayi garm, 'eyes of anguish.' Scan garm átishi (Alif i wasl).

Can alien Pharisees Thy kindness tell,
Like us, Thy intimates, who nigh Thee dwell?
Thou say'st, "All sinners will I burn with fire."
Say that to strangers, we know Thee too well.

### 205.

O comrades dear, when hither ye repair
In times to come, communion sweet to share,
While the cupbearer pours your old Magh
wine,

Call poor Khayyam to mind, and breathe a prayer.

### 206.

For me heaven's sphere no music ever made, Nor yet with soothing voice my fears allayed; If e'er I found brief respite from my woes, Back to woe's thrall I was at once betrayed.

<sup>204.</sup> N.

<sup>205.</sup> L. N. B. Mayi. The second ya is the yái batní.

راهد بکرم ترا چو ما نشناسد بیگانه ترا چو آشنا نشناسد گفتی که گنه کنی بدوزخ برمت اینرا بکسی گو که ترا نشناسد

### 7.0

ياران چو باتفاق ميعاد كنيد خودرا بجمالِ يكدگر شاد كنيد ساقي چو مئي مغانه بركف گيرد بيچاره فلانرا بدعا ياد كنيد

### 1.4

يكروز فلك كار مرا ساز نداد هركز سوي من دمي خوش آوار نداد يكروز دمي ز شادماني نـزدم كانروز بدستِ صد غمم باز نداد

Sooner with half a loaf contented be, And water from a broken crock, like me,

Than lord it over one poor fellow-man, Or to another bow the vassal knee.

### 208.

While Moon and Venus in the sky shall dwell, None shall see aught red grape-juice to excel:

O foolish publicans, what can you buy One half so precious as the goods you sell?

### 209.

They who by genius, and by power of brain, The rank of man's enlighteners attain,

Not even they emerge from this dark night, But tell their dreams, and fall asleep again.

<sup>207.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. In line 2, note izáfat dropped after silent he. Kam az khudé, "one less than yourself." Vullers, p. 254.

### T . v

یکنان یدو روز اگر شود حاصلِ مرد وز کوزه شکسته، دم آبی سرد مخکوم کم از خودی چرا باید بود یا خدمت چون خودی چرا باید کرد

### 1.4

تا زهره و مه در آسمان گشت پدید بهتر ز مئي لعل ڪسي هیچ ندید من در عجبم ز میفروشان کایشان به زالحچه فروشند چه خواهند خرید

### 1.9

آنانکه محیط فضل و آداب شدند از جمع کمال شمع اصحاب شدند ره زین شب تاریك نبردند برون گفتند فسانه و در خواب شدند

<sup>208.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I.

<sup>209.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Fisánayé, yú i tankír.

At dawn, when dews bedeck the tulip's face, And violets their heavy heads abase,

I love to see the roses' folded buds, With petals closed against the winds' disgrace.

### 211.

Like as the skies rain down sweet jessamine, And sprinkle all the meads with eglantine, Right so, from out this jug of violet hue, I pour in lily cups this rosy wine.

### 212.

Ah! thou hast snared this head, though white as snow,

Which oft has vowed the wine-cup to forego;

And wrecked the mansion long resolve did build,

And rent the vesture penitence did saw:

210. L. B.

211. B. Here read mayi, with one yá, and kasra, because the metre requires a word of only two consonants, and two short vowels, of the warn mafa.

هر صبح كه روي لاله شبنم گيرد بالاي بنفشه در چمن خم گيرد انصاف مرا ز عنچه خوش مي آيد كر دامن خويشتن فراهم كيرد

# 111

گردون ز سحاب نسترن مي ريزد گوأي كه شگوفه در چمن مي ريزد در جام چو سوسن مي گلگون ريزم كز ابر بنفشه گون سمن مي ريزد

### 111

پیرانه سرم عشقِ تو در دام کشید ورنه ز<sup>کج</sup>ا دستِ من و جام ِنبید آن توبه که عقل داد جانان بشکست وان جامه که صبر دوخت آیام درید

<sup>212.</sup> B. Nabia is often written nabiz, probably a survival from the time when dals were dotted. Bl., Prosody 17.

I am not one whom Death doth much dismay, Life's terrors all Death's terrors far outweigh; This life, that Heaven hath lent me for a while,

I will pay back, when it is time to pay.

### 214.

The stars, who dwell on heaven's exalted stage, Baffle the wise diviners of our age;

Take heed, hold fast the rope of mother wit, These augurs all distrust their own presage.

### 215.

The people who the heavenly world adorn,
Who come each night, and go away each morn,
Now on Heaven's skirt, and now in earth's
deep pouch,

While Allah lives, shall aye anew be born!

- 213. C. L. A. B. I. B. reads nim for bim in line 2.
- 214. L. B. A hit at the astrologers.

آن مرد نیم کر عدمم بیم آید
آن بیم مرا خوشتر ازین بیم آید
اجانیست مرا بعاریة داده خدا
اتسلیم کنم چو وقت تسلیم آید

### 111

اجرام که ساکنانِ این ایوانند اسباب تردد خردمندانند هان تا سرِ رشته عزد گم نکنی کانان که مَدبرند سرگردانند

### 110

آنها که فلك ريزه دهر آرايند آيند و روند و باز با دهر آيند در دامن آسمان و در جيب رمين خلقيست که تا خدا نميرد زايند

<sup>215.</sup> L. B. Earth's pouch, i.e. "beneath the earth." Rezaye. L. reads didaye. Both readings are probably wrong.

Slaves of vain wisdom and philosophy, Who toil at Being and Nonentity,

Parching your brains till they are like dry grapes,

Be wise in time, and drink grape-juice, like me!

#### 217.

Sense, seeking happiness, bids us pursue
All present joys, and present griefs eschew;
She says, we are not as the meadow grass,
Which, when they mow it down, springs up anew.

# 218.

Now Ramazán is past, Shawwál comes back, And feast and song and joy no more we lack; The wine-skin carriers throng the streets and cry,

"Here comes the porter with his precious pack."

216. B. The vanity of learning.

217. C. L. A. B. I. J. Goyid, from goyidan. Ya i maksúr followed by another yá is in Persian words always hamzated (Lumsden, i. 29; Vullers, p. 24); and this

آنها که اسیرِ عقل و تمییز شدند در حسرت هست و نیست ناچیز شدند رو باخبران و آبِ انگورگـزین کاین بیخبران بغوره مویز شدند

#### TIV

آن عقل که در راه سعادت پوئید روزی صد بار خود ترا می گوئید دریاب تو این یکدمه وقتت که نه و آن تره که بذروند و دیگر روئید

## 111

ماهِ رمضان برفت و شوّال آمد هنگام نشات و عیش و قوّال آمد آمد کَه آنکه خیکها اندر دوش گویند که پشت پشت حبّال آمد

hamza i maksur is pronounced ye. Ibrahim, Grammar, p. 24.

<sup>218.</sup> B. I incline to read pusht bast for pusht pusht, which I do not understand.

My comrades all are gone; Death, deadly foe,
Has caught them one by one, and trampled low;
They shared life's feast, and drank its wine
with me,

But lost their heads, and dropped a while ago.

#### 220.

Those hypocrites, all know so well, who lurk
In streets to beg their bread, and will not work,
Claim to be saints, like Shibli and Junaid,
No Shiblis are they, though well known in
Karkh!

## 221.

When the great Founder moulded me of old,
He mixed much baser metal with my gold;
Better or fairer I can never be
Than I first issued from his heavenly mould.

- 219. C. L. A. I. Quoted by Badáúní, ii. 159.
- 220. C. L. A. I. L. reads bakahna namad, but the line will not scan with that reading. Line 4 is in metre 9. A saint called Ma'ruf i Karkhi, "the famed

یارانِ موافق همه از دست شدند در پایِ اجل یگان یگان پست شدند بودند بـیك شراب در مجلسِ عُمر دَوري دو سه پیشتر ز ما مست شدند

#### 11.

آنان که بکهنه و بنو موصوفند در ره بکف آب و دو نان موقوفند گویند که شبلی و جنیدیم همه شبلی نه ولی در کرخی معروفند

# 111 -

تا خاك مرا بقالب المخته اند بس فتنه كه از خاك بر انگيخته اند من بهتر ازين نمي توانم بوهن كـز بوته مرا چنين برون ريخته اند.

one of Karkh," is mentioned in the Nafahát ul Uns. Karkh was a suburb of Bagdad.

<sup>221.</sup> C. L. A. I.

The joyous souls who quaff potations deep,
And saints who in the mosques sad vigils keep,
Are lost at sea alike, and find no shore,
ONE only wakes, all others are asleep.

## 223.

Notbeing's water served to mix my clay,
And on my heart grief's fire doth ever prey,
And blown am I like wind about the world,
And last my crumbling earth is swept away.

#### 224.

Small gains to learning on this earth accrue,

They pluck life's fruitage, learning who eschew;

Take pattern by the fools who learning shun,

And then perchance shall fortune smile on you.

<sup>222.</sup> L. B. One, i.e. the Deity.

<sup>223.</sup> L. This introduction of the four elements in one quatrain is called *Mutazádd*. Gladwin, p. 60.

آنها که کشنده نبید ناب اند و انها که بشب مدام در محراب اند بر خشك یکي نیست همه در آب اند بیدار یکیست دیگران در خواب اند

# 777

از آبِ عدم تخم مرا کاشته اند از آتشِ غم روح ِ من افراشته اند سرگشته چو باد دمبدم گردِ جهان تا خاك من ز جاي بر داشته اند

# 776

چون نیست درین زمانه سودی ز خرد جز <sup>بیخ</sup>رد از زمانه در می نخورد پیش آور زانکه او خرد را ببرد تا دو که زمانه سوی ما در نگرد

<sup>224.</sup> C. L. A. I. Bú contracted from buwad, as bud from búd.

When the fair soul this mansion doth vacate,
Each element assumes its primal state,
And all the silken furniture of life
Is then dismantled by the blows of fate.

#### 226.

These people string their beads of learned lumber,

And tell of Allah stories without number;
But never solve the riddle of the skies,
So wag the chin, and get them back to slumber.

#### 227.

These folk are asses, laden with conceit,
And glittering drums, that empty sounds repeat
And humble slaves are they of name and fame,
Acquire a name, and, lo! they kiss thy feet.

<sup>225.</sup> C. L. A. I. Abrésham tab', like Hátim tab'.

<sup>226.</sup> Possibly a hit at the *Mutakallamín*, or scholastic theologians.

چون شاهدِ روح خانه پرداز شود هر جنس باصلِ خویشتن باز شود این سازِ وجودِ چار ابریشم طبع از زخمهٔ روزگار بیساز شود

#### 777

انها که بفکر درِ معنی سفتند در ذات خداوند سخنها گفتند واقف چو نگشتند بر اسرارِ فلك اول زلخي زدند و آخر خفتند

#### rrv

این خلق همه خرانِ با افسوس اند پر مشعله و میان تهی چون کوس اند خواهی که کف پای ترا می بوسند خوش نام بزی که بنده، ناموس اند.

227. C. L. A. I. Bá afsós is an epithet, like bá khabar, and hence kharán the noun, qualified by it, takes the izáfat. Lumsden, ii. 259. Pur mash'ala 'full of glitter;' compare, pur mae in No 179.

On the dread day of final scrutiny

Thou wilt be rated by thy quality;

Get wisdom and fair qualities to-day,

Get wisdom and fair qualities to-day, For, as thou art, requited wilt thou be.

#### 229.

Many fine heads, like bowls, the Brazier made, And thus his own similitude portrayed;

He set one upside down above our heads, Which keeps us all continually afraid.

#### 230.

My true condition I may thus explain

In two short verses, which the whole contain:

"From love to Thee I now lay down my life, In hope Thy love will raise me up again.".

<sup>228.</sup> C. L. A. I.

<sup>229.</sup> C. L. A. I. "One upside down," i.e. the sky. Kánsa is also spelled kása.

روزي كه جزاي هر صفت خواهد بود قدر تو بقد و معرفت خواهد بود قدر تو بقد و معرفت خواهد بود در حس صفت كوش كه در روز جزا حشر تو بصورت صفت خواهد بوي

# 779

آن کانسه گر*ي که* کانسه، سرها کرد در کانسه گري صفاتِ خود پيدا کرد بر خوانِ وجودِ ما نگون کانسه مهاد وان کانسه، سر نگون پر از سودا کرد

# ٠٣٠

از واقعه ترا خبر خواهم کرد وان را بدو حرف مختصر خواهم کرد با عشق تو در خاك فرو خواهم شد با مهر تو سر ز خاك بر خواهم كرد

<sup>230.</sup> C. L. A. I. Scan wáki'ŭyī. Here hamza stands for ya i tankir.

The heart, like tapers, takes at beauty's eyes
A flame, and lives by that whereby it dies;
And beauty is a flame where hearts, like moths,

Offer themselves a burning sacrifice.

#### 232.

To please the righteous life itself I sell,
And, though they tread me down, never rebel;
Men say, "Inform us what and where is
hell?"

Ill company will make this earth a hell.

#### 233.

The sun doth smite the roofs with Orient ray,
And, Khosrau like, his wine-red sheen display;
Arise, and drink! the herald of the dawn
Uplifts his voice, and cries, "O drink to-day!"

<sup>231.</sup> L. Metre Ramal, No. 50. In line 3 the first syllable is short. See Bl., Prosody, p. 43. In this form the metre is like Horace's "Miserarum est," etc.

دل چراغست که نور از رخ دلبر گیرد ور یمیرد زغمش زندگی از سر گیرد صفت شمع به پروانه دلی باید گفت کین حدیثست که با سوختگان در گیرد

## ۲۳۲

جانم بفداي آنكه او اهْل بود سر در قدمش اگر نهم سهْل بود خواهي كه بداني بيقين دوزخ را دوزخ ود

# ٣٣

خورشید کمند صبح بر بام افگند کی خسرو روز باده در جام افگند می خور که منادی سحرگه خیزان آوازه اُشربُوا در ایام افگند

<sup>232.</sup> C. L. A. I. Also ascribed to Hafiz.

<sup>233.</sup> C. L. A. I. J.

Comrades! when e'er ye meet together here, Recall your friend to mind, and drop a tear;

And when the circling wine-cups reach his seat,

Pray turn one upside down his dust to cheer.

## 235.

That grace and favour at the first, what meant it?

That lavishing of joy and peace, what meant it?

But now thy purpose is to grieve my heart;

What did I do to cause this change? what

meant it?

#### 236.

These hypocrites, who build on saintly show, Treating the body as the spirit's foe,

If they will shut their mouths with lime, like jars,

My jar of grape-juice I will then forego.

234. B. A variation of No. 205.

235. B. So Job, "He multiplieth my wounds without cause."

# عرسرا

یاران بموافقت چو میعاد کنید باید که ز دوست یادِ بسیار کند چون باده ٔ خوشگوار نوشید بهم نوبت چو بها رسد نگونسار کنید

# ه۳۲

چندان کرم و لطف ز آغاز چه بود و آن داشتنم در طرب و ناز چه بود اکنون همه در رنج دلم میکوشي آخر چه گناه کرده ام باز چه بود

# 7177

انها که اساسِ کار بر زرق نهند آیند و میانِ جان و تن فرق نهند بر فرق نهم خروسِ می را پس ازین گر همچو خروسم اژه بر فرق نهند.

<sup>236.</sup> L. B. B. reads arra, of which I can make no sense. Bar fark niham, 'I will put aside;' bar fark (line 4) 'on their mouths.'

Many have come, and run their eager race, Striving for pleasures, luxuries, or place,

And quaffed their wine, and now all silent lie,

Enfolded in their parent earth's embrace.

## 238.

Then, when the good reap fruits of labours past,

My hapless lot with drunkards will be cast;
If good, may I be numbered with the first,
If bad, find grace and mercy with the last.

## 239.

Of happy turns of fortune take your fill, Seek pleasure's couch, or wine-cup, as you will; Allah regards not if you sin, or saint it, So take your pleasure, be it good or ill.

<sup>237.</sup> C. L. A. I.

<sup>238.</sup> C. L. A. I.

<sup>239.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Alluding to the Hadis,

آنها کم در آمدند در جوش شدند آشفته ناز و طرب و نوش شدند خوردند پیاله و خاموش شدند در خاك ابد جمله هم آغوش شدند

# 117

فردا که نصیب نیک بختان بخشند قسمی بمن رند پرسان بخشند گرنیك آیم مرا از ایشان شمرند ور بد باشم مرا بدیشان بخشند

## ٢٣٩

ازگردش روزگار بھری برگیر بر تخت طرب نشین بکف ساغرگیر از گلاعت و معصیت خدا مشتغنیست باری تو مرادِ خود ز عالم برگیر

<sup>&</sup>quot;These are in heaven, and Allah regards not their sins, and these in hell, and Allah regards not their good works." See Gulshan i Ráz, p. 55.

Heaven multiplies our sorrows day by day, And grants no joys it does not take away;

If those unborn could know the ills we bear, What think you, would they rather come or stay?

# 241.

Why ponder thus the future to foresee,

And jade thy brain to vain perplexity?

Cast off thy care, leave Allah's plans to him,

He formed them all without consulting thee.

## 242.

The tenants of the tombs to dust decay,

Nescient of self, and all beside are they;

Their sundered atoms float about the world,

Like mirage clouds, until the judgment-day.

<sup>240.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. This recalls Byron's, "Stanzas for Music."

<sup>211.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J.

افلاك چه جزغم نفزایند دگر ننهند بجا تا نربایند دگر نا آمدگان اگر بدانند كه ما از دهر چه میكشیم نایند دگر

## 761

از بودني اي دوست چه داري تيمار وز فكرت بيمار وز فكرت بيهوده دل و جان افكار خرم تو بزي جهان بشادي گذران تدبير نه با تو كرده اند اول كار

# 161

این اهلِ قبور خاک گشتند و غبار بیخود شده و بیخبرند از همه کار هر زره گرفتند کنار آه این چه سرابست که تا روز شمار

<sup>242.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. In line 4 some MSS. read sharáb, and change the order of the lines.

O soul! lay up all earthly goods in store, Thy mead with pleasure's flowerets spangle o'er:

And know 'tis all as dew, that decks the flowers

For one short night, and then is seen no more!

## 244.

Heed not the Sunna, nor the law divine; If to the poor his portion you assign,

And never injure one, nor yet abuse,
I guarantee you heaven, and now some wine!

# 245.

Vexed by this wheel of things, that pets the base,

My sorrow-laden life drags on apace;

Like rosebud, from the storm I wrap me close, And blood-spots on my heart, like tulip, trace.

<sup>243.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. There are several variations of this.

<sup>244.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. See Koran, ii. 172: "There is no piety in turning your faces to the east or

ایدل همه اسباب جهان خواسته گیر باع طربت بسبزه آرسته گیر واتکاه بران سبزه شبی چون شبنم بنشسته و بامداد بر خاسته گیر

## 7156

سنت مكن و فريضه، حق بگذار فوان لقمه كه دارى زكسان باز مدار غيبت مكن و مجوي كسرا آزار هم وعده، آن جهان منم باده بيار

# 110

از گردش این زمانه و دون پرور با صد غم و درد میبرم عمر بسر چون عنجه بگلزار جهان با دل تنگ چون لاله زباغ دهر با خون جگر

west, but he is plous who believeth in God . . . . and disburseth his wealth to the needy," etc.

<sup>245.</sup> N.

Youth is the time to pay court to the vine,

To quaff the cup, with revellers to recline;

A flood of water once laid waste the earth.

A flood of water once laid waste the earth,

Hence learn to lay you waste with floods of wine.

# 247.

The world is baffled in its search for Thee, Wealth cannot find Thee, no, nor poverty;

Thou'rt very near us, but our ears are deaf, Our eyes are blinded that we may not see!

#### 248.

Take care you never hold a drinking bout With an ill-tempered, ill-conditioned lout;

He'll make a vile disturbance all night long, And vile apologies next day, no doubt.

<sup>246.</sup> C. N. A. I. J.

<sup>247.</sup> N. So Hafiz, Ode 355 (Brockhaus):

<sup>&</sup>quot;How can our eyes behold Thee, as Thou art?"

ایّام جوانیست شراب اولسیتسر با خوش پسران باده، ناب اولیتر این عالم ِفانی چو خرابست باب از باده در او مست و خراب اولیتر

## 14V

اي در طلبِ تو عالمي در شرو شور در پيشِ تو درويش و توانگر همه عور اي با همه در حديث وگوشِ همه ڪر وي با همه در حضور و چشم همه ڪور

## 747

با سفله، تند خوي و بسیعقل و وقار زینهار مخور باده که رسم آرد بار بدمستي و شور و عربده درشب عیش دردِ سر و عذر خواهیش روزِ خمار .

<sup>248.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. In line 3 scan badmastiyo, and in line 4 Khwahiyash.

The starry aspects are not all benign;
Why toil then after vain desires, and pine
To lade thyself with load of fortune's boons,
Only to drop it with this life of thine?

# 250.

O comrades! here is filtered wine, come drink! Pledge all your charming sweethearts, as you drink;

'Tis the grape's blood, and this is what it says,

"To you I dedicate my life-blood! drink!"

#### 251.

Are you depressed? then take of bang one grain,
Of rosy grape-juice take one pint or twain;
Sufis, you say, must not take this or that,
Then go and eat the pebbles off the plain!

<sup>249.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J.

<sup>250.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J.

<sup>251.</sup> N. In lines 1 and 2 scan yakjāwākī and mā-

چون نیست ز اختر آنکه رو داد قرار چندین زپئی مراد دل رنج مدار هان تا ننهی بر دلِ خود چندین بار بگذاشتن و گذشتن است اخر کار

#### 10.

جانـا مي صافِ نا مشوش ميخور بر ياد بتانِ نـغَزِ دلـكش مـي خور مي خونِ رز است و رز ترا ميگويد خون بر تو حلال كرده ام خوش مى خور

## 101

دلتنگ شوي <sup>یک</sup>جوکی بنگ بخور یا یك منکی باده ٔ گلرنگ بخور صوفی شده این نخوري آن مخوري در خورد تو سنگست برو سنگ بخور

nákī, ak being the diminutive, and yá the yá i tankír, displacing the izáfat: Lumsden, ii. 269 (?). Bang, a narcotic, made of hemp.

I saw a busy potter by the way

Kneading with might and main a lump of clay;

And, lo! the clay cried, "Use me gently, pray,

I was a man myself but yesterday!"

## 253.

Oh! wine is richer than the realm of Jam,

More fragrant than the food of Miriam;

Sweeter are sighs that drunkards heave at
morn

Than strains of Bu Sa'id and Bin Adham.

## 254.

Deep in the rondure of the heavenly blue,

There is a cup, concealed from mortals' view,

Which all must drink in turn; O sigh not then,

But drink it boldly, when it comes to you!

<sup>252.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. Hál, ecstacy.

<sup>253.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Abu Sa'íd Abu'l Khair and Ibrahím Bin Adham are both mentioned in the *Nafahát* 

دي كوزهگري بديدم اندر بازار بر تازه گلي لكد همي زد بسيار وان گل بزبان حال با وي ميگفت من همچو تو بوده ام مرا نيكو دار

## 700

یکجرعه مَي از مملکت جم خوشتر ہوي قدح از غداي مَریم خوشتر آهِ سحـري ز سـیـنهءَ خـمّاري از نالهء بو سعید و ادهم خوشتر

# 1010

در دائرہ ٔ سپھر ناپیدا غُور جامیست کہ جملہ را چشانید بدُور نوبت چو بدور تو رسد آہ مکن می نوش بخوشدلی کہ دورست بجُور

ul-Uns. 'Miriam's food.' See Koran, xix. 24. Note izáfat dropped after silent he.

<sup>254.</sup> C. L. A. I. J. Jawr, 'a bumper.'

Though you should live to four, or forty score, Go hence you must, as all have gone before;

Then, be you king, or beggar of the streets, They'll rate you all the same, no less, no more.

#### 256.

If you seek Him, abandon child and wife, Arise, and sever all these ties to life;

All these are bonds to check you on your course.

Arise, and cut these bonds, as with a knife.

# 257.

O heart! this world is but a fleeting show,
Why should its empty griefs distress thee so?
Bow down, and bear thy fate, the eternal pen
Will not unwrite its roll for thee, I trow!

<sup>255.</sup> L.

<sup>256.</sup> L. B. So Gulshan i Ráz, l. 944.

عمر تو چه دو صد و چه سیصد چه هزار زین کهنه سرا برون برندت ناچار گر کدای بازار این هر دو بیك نرخ بُود آخر کار

107

اورا خواهي ز زن و فرزند ببر مردانه در آز خويش و پيوند ببر هر چيز که هست بند راهست ترا با بند چگونه ره روي بند ببر

704

ایدل چو حقیقت جهانست مجاز چندین چه خوری توغم ازین رنج دراز تن را بقضا سپار و با درد بساز کین رفته قلم ز بهر تــه ناید باز

<sup>257.</sup> L. N. B. The 'pen' is that with which Allah writes his decrees.

Who e'er returned of all that went before,

To tell of that long road they travel o'er?

Leave naught undone of what you have to do,

For when you go, you will return no more.

#### 259.

Dark wheel! how many lovers thou hast slain, Like Mahmud and Ayáz, O inhumane!

Come, let us drink, thou grantest not two lives, When one is spent, we find it not again.

## 260.

Illustrious Prophet! whom all kings obey,
When is our darkness lightened by wine's ray?
On Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday,

Friday, and Saturday, both night and day!

<sup>258.</sup> C. N. L. A. I. J. Amadayē, yá i tankir.

<sup>259.</sup> L. N. Mahmud, the celebrated king of Ghazni, and Ayáz his favourite. Scan wāyáz (alif i wasl).

از جمله، رفتگان این راه دراز باز آمده، کو که بما گوید راز زینهار درین سراچه از روی ِ مجاز چیزی نگذاری که نمیآئی باز

109

این چرخ که با کسی نمیگوید راز کشته بستم هزار محمود و ایاز میخورکه بکس عمر دو باره ندهد هرکس که شد از جهان نمیآید باز

17.

اي برهمه سرورانِ عالم فـيــروز داني كه چه وقت مي بود روح افروز يكشنبه و دو شنبه و سه شغبه و چار پنجشنبه و آدينه و شنبه شب و روز

<sup>260.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. The jim in panjshamba is dropped in scanning. See Bl., Prosody, p. 10. In line 4 note silent he in shauba scaned long as well as short.

O turn away those roguish eyes of thine!

Be still! seek not my peace to undermine!

Thou say'st, "Look not." I might as well essay

To slant my goblet, and not spill my wine.

# 262.

In taverns better far commune with Thee,
Than pray in mosques, and fail Thy face to see!
O first and last of all Thy creatures Thou;
'Tis Thine to burn, and Thine to cherish me!

# 263.

To wise and worthy men your life devote,

But from the worthless keep your walk remote;

Dare to take poison from a sage's hand,

But from a fool refuse an antidate.

<sup>261.</sup> N. Line 4, a proverb denoting an impossibility.

<sup>262.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. This is clearly an address

ای خوش پسر غمزهگر رنگ آمیز بنشین و هزار فستسنه بنشان و مخیز تو حکم همیکنی که در من منگر این حکم چنان بود که کیم دار و مریز

#### 777

با تو بخرابات اگر گویم راز به زانکه کنم بستو بهحراب نماز ای اول و آخرِ همه خلقان تو خواهی تو مرا بسوز و خواهی بنواز

## 7 71

بـا مردم پاکباز و عاقل آمیز از نا اهٔلان هزار فرسنگ گریـز گر زهر دهد ترا خردمند بنوش ور نوش دهد ز دست نا اهل بریز

to the Deity.

<sup>263.</sup> L. N. Line 2 is in metre 17.

I flew here, as a bird from the wild, in aim Up to a higher nest my course to frame;

But, finding here no guide who knows the way, Fly out by the same door where through I came.

#### 265.

He binds us in resistless Nature's chain,

And yet bids us our natures to restrain;

Between these counter rules we stand perplexed,

"Hold the jar slant, but all the wine retain."

# 266.

They go away, and none is seen returning,

To teach that other world's recondite learning;

'Twill not be shown for dull mechanic prayers,

For prayer is naught without true heartfelt yearning.

264. C. L. N. A. I. J.

265. L. N. In line 3 scan nahyash. So Lord Brooke in "Mustapha"; Ward's English Poets, i. 370.

بازی بُودم پریده از عالم راز تا بو که رسم من از نشیبی بفراز اینجا چو نیافتم کسی محرم راز زان در که در آمدم برون رفتم باز

#### 170

حكمي كه از او محال باشد پرهيؤ فرموده و امر كرده كزوي بگريز آنگاه ميان امر و نهيش عاجز درمانده جهانيان كه كبح دار و مرينر

#### 771

رفتند و زرفتگان یکی نامد باز تا با تو بگوید سخن از پرده، راز کارت زنیاز میکشاید نه نماز بازیچه بُود نماز بی صِدْق و نیاز

<sup>266.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. The formal prayers of Moslems are rather ascriptions of praise, and repetitions of texts, than petitions.

Go to! Cast dust on those deaf skies, who spurn
Thy orisons and bootless prayers, and learn
To quaff the cup, and hover round the fair;
Of all who go, did ever one return?

#### 268.

Though Khayyam strings no pearls of righteous deeds,

Nor sweeps from off his soul sin's noisome weeds,

Yet will he not despair of heavenly grace, Seeing that ONE as two he ne'er misreads.

## 269.

Again to tavern haunts do we repair,

And say "Adieu" to the five hours of prayer;

Where'er we see a long-necked flask of wine,

We elongate our necks that wine to share.

<sup>267.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. An answer to the last.

<sup>268.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. Tauhid, or Unitarianism, is the central doctrine of Islám. So Hafiz, Ode 465.

رو بر سرِ افلاك جهانِ خاك انداز مي ميخور و گردِ خوبرويان ميتاز چه جاي عبادتست و چه جاي ِ نماز كز جمله روندگان يكى نامد باز

#### 744

گر گوهر طاعتت نسفتم هرگز گردِ گنه از حهره نرفتم هرگز نومید نیم ز بارگاه کومت زیراکه یکی را دو نگفتم هرگز

## 179

كرديم دگر شيونه رندي آغاز تكبير همي زنيم بر پنج نماز هر جا كه صراحي است مارا بيني گردن چو صراحي سوي آن كرده دراز

<sup>269.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. Takbir, the formula "Allah akbar," in saying which the mind should be abstracted from worldly thoughts; hence "renunciation." Nicolas.

We are but chessmen, destined, it is plain,
That great chess player, Heaven, to entertain;
It moves us on life's chess-board to and fro,
And then in death's box shuts up again.

### 271.

You ask what is this life so frail, so vain,
'Tis long to tell, yet will I make it plain;
'Tis but a breath blown from the vasty deeps,
And then blown back to those same deeps
again!

# 272.

To-day to heights of rapture have I soared,
Yea, and with drunken Maghs pure wine adored;
I am become beside myself, and rest
In that pure temple, "Am not I your Lord?"

<sup>270.</sup> L. N. B. Hakikati, see Bl., Prosody 3.

<sup>271.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Some MSS. read nakeh. Deeps, i.e. the ocean of Not-being.

1 v .

ما لعبتگانيم و فلك لعبت باز از روي حقيقتي نه از روي مجاز بازيچه همكنيم بر نطع ٍ وجود رفتيم بصندوي عدم يك يك باز

TVI

میپرسیدی که چیست این نفس مجاز گر بر گویم حقیقتش هست دراز نفسیست بدید آمده از دریاتی و انگاه شده بقعر آن دریا باز

rvr

ما عاشق و آشفته و مستيم امروز در كوي مغان باده پرستيم امروز از هستي خويشتن بكلي رسنته • پيوسته بمحراب ألستيم امروز

<sup>272.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Alasto birabbikum, Allah's words to Adam's sons: Koran, vii. 171. So in Hafiz, Ode 43 (Brockhaus).

My queen (long may she live to vex her slave!)
To-day a token of affection gave,

Darting a kind glance from her eyes, she passed,

And said, "Do good and cast it on the wave!"

### 274.

I put my lips to the cup, for I did yearn
The hidden cause of length of days to learn;

He leaned his lip to mine, and whispered low, "Drink! for, once gone, you never will return."

# 275.

We lay in the cloak of Naught, asleep and still, Thou said'st, "Awake! taste the world's good and ill;"

Here we are puzzled by Thy strange command,

From slanted jars no single drop to spill.

<sup>273.</sup> L. N. Meaning, hope not for a return to your love. Někúyey, "a good act," ya conjunctive and yá i tankir. Vullers, p. 250.

معشوق که عمرش چو غمم باد دراز امروز بنو تلطفي کرد آغاز، بر چشم من انداخت دمی چشم و رفت یعنی که ذکوتی کن و در آب آنداز

# TVF

لب برلب کوره بردم از غایت آز تا زو طلبم واسطه عشر دراز لب برلب من نهاد و مي گفت براز مي خور که بدين جهان نمي آئي باز

#### TVE

در كِتْم عدم خفته بُدم گفتي خيز دارد بجهان دور جهان شورانگيز و اكنون كه بفزمان تو ام حيرانم القصه چنان دار كه كبح دار و مريز

<sup>274.</sup> C. L. A. B. I. J. Some MSS. give line 4 differently.

<sup>275.</sup> L. Naught, i.e. Not-being. See note to No. 183.

O Thou! who know'st the secret thoughts of all, In time of sorest need who aidest all,

Grant me repentance, and accept my plea,
O Thou who dost accept the pleas of all!

# 277.

I saw a bird perched on the walls of Tús, Before him lay the skull of Kai Kawús,

And thus he made his moan, "Alas, poor king!

Thy drums are hushed, thy 'larums have rung truce."

### 278.

Ask not the chances of the time to be,

And for the past, 'tis vanished, as you see;

This ready-money breath set down as gain,

Future and past concern not you or me.

<sup>276.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Note tashdid on rabb dropped.277. C. L. N. A. Tús was near Nishapúr.

ای واقف اسرار ضمیر همه کس در حالت عجز دستگیر همه کس یا رب تو مرا توبه ده و عُذر پذیر ای توبهده و عذرپذیر همه کس

#### TVV

مرغي ديدم نشسته بر بارة؛ طوس در پيش نهاده كلّه؛ كيكاؤس با كلّه هميگفت كه افسوس افسوس كو بابك جرسها و كَجا ناله؛ كوس

# 200

از حادثه، زمانه آینده مپرس
وز هرچه رسد چو نیست پاینده مپرس
این یکدمه نقد را غنیمت میدان
از رفته میندیش وز آینده مپرس

<sup>278.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. In line 1 note izáfat dropped after silent he. Compare Horace's Ode to Leuconoe.

What launched that golden orb his course to run,

What wrecks his firm foundations, when 'tis done,

No man of science ever weighed with scales, Nor made assay with touchstone, no, not one!

#### 280.

I pray thee to my counsel lend thine ear,
Cast off this false hypocrisy's veneer;
This life a moment is, the next all time,
Sell not eternity for earthly gear!

### 281.

Ofttimes I plead my foolishness to Thee, My heart contracted with perplexity;

I gird me with the Magian zone, and why? For shame so poor a Musulman to be.

<sup>279.</sup> L. The vanity of science.

<sup>280.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. Note rá separated from its noun, as before. Vullers, p. 173.

# 4 4 4

آغازِ دوان گشتنِ آن زرّین طاس و انجام خرابیِ چنین نیك آساس دانسته نمیشود بمعیارِ عفول سنجیده نمیشود بمقیاسِ قیاس

#### 14

پندي دهمت اگر بمن داري گوش از بهرِ خدا جامه، تزوير سپوش عقبي همه ساعتس<sup>ئ</sup>ت و دنيا يكدم از بهرِ دمي ملكِ ابدرا مفروش

### 141

تا چند کنم عرضهٔ نادانیِ خویش بگرفت دلِ من از پریشانیِ خویش زنّارِ مغانه بر میان خواهم بسبت دانی زچه از نـنگ<sup>ی</sup>ِ مسلمانی ِ خویشٍ

<sup>281.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. In line 1 scan nádántyi, dissolving the long yá.

Khayyam! rejoice that wine you still can pour, And still the charms of tulip cheeks adore;

You'll soon not be, rejoice then that you are,
Think how 'twould be in case you were no
more!

### 283.

Once, in a potter's shop, a company
Of cups in converse did I chance to see,

And lo! one lifted up his voice, and cried, "Who made, who sells, who buys this crockery?

# 284.

Last night, as I reeled from the tavern door,
I saw a sage, who a great wine-jug bore;
I said, "O Shaikh, have you no shame?"
Said he,

"Allah hath boundless mercy in his store."

<sup>282.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J.

<sup>283.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. Men's speculations.

<sup>284.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Sar mast, a compound,

#### MAY

خيّام اگر ز باده مستي خوش باش با لاله رخي اگر نشستي خوش باش چون آخرِ کار نيست خواهي بودن انگار ڪه نيستي چو هستي خوش باش

# 1 AT 1

در کارگه کوزهگری رفتم دوش دیدم دو هزار کوره گویا و خموش ناگاه یکی کوزه بر آورد خروش کو کوزهگر و کوزهخر و کوزه فروش

# MAF V

سر مست بمیخانه گذر کردم دوش پیری دیدم مست و سبوئی بر دوش گفتم ز خدا شرم نداری ای پیر گفتا کرم از خداست رو باده بنوش

hence izáfat omitted. Saboyey, hamza (for conjunctive yá) followed by yá i tankir. See Lumsden, ii. 269.

Life's fount is wine, Khizer its guardian,
I, like Elias, find it where I can;
'Tis sustenance for heart and spirit too,
Allah himself calls wine "a boon to man."

#### 286.

Though wine is banned, yet drink, for ever drink!

By day and night, with strains of music drink!

Where'er thou lightest on a cup of wine,

Spill just one drop, and take the rest, and

drink!

### 287.

Although the creeds number some seventy-three,

I hold with none but that of loving Thee; What matter faith, unfaith, obedience, sin? Thou'rt all we need, the rest is vanity.

<sup>285.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Koran, ii. 216. Elias discovered the water of life.

<sup>286.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. To spill a drop is a sign

مى را كه خضَّر خجسته دارد پاسش او آب حياتست و منم الياسش من ُقوَّتِ دل و قَوَّتِ روحش خوانم چون گفت خدا مَنَافَعٌ للنَّاسش

#### 117

مي گرچه حرامست مدامش مينوش با نغمه و چنگ صبح و شامش مينوش جامي ز مئي لعل گرت دست دهد يكقطره رها كن و تمامش مينوش

### 24

هفتاد و دو ملتند در دین کم و بیش از ملتها عشق تو دارم در پیش چه کفر و چه اسلام چه طاعت چه گناه مقصود توئی بهانه بر دار از پیش م

of liberality. Nicolas.

287. N. See note on Quatrain 194. Forms of faith are indifferent. See Gulshan i Ráz, p. 83.

more!

#### 288.

Tell one by one my scanty virtues o'er;
As for my sins, forgive them by the score;
Let not my faults kindle Thy wrath to flame;
By blest Muhammad's tomb, forgive once

### 289.

Grieve not at coming ill, you can't defeat it,
And what far-sighted person goes to meet it?
Cheer up! bear not about a world of grief,
Your fate is fixed, and grieving will not cheat it.

# 290.

There is a chalice made with wit profound,
With tokens of the Maker's favour crowned;
Yet the world's Potter takes his masterpiece,
And dashes it to pieces on the ground!

<sup>288.</sup> L. N. B. Rasúl-ullah: the construction being Arabic, no izáfat is needed. Lumsden, ii., p. 251. Also ascribed to Zahír ud-din Faryábi.

#### 1 A A

يك يك هنرم بين وكنه ده ده بخش هر جرم كه رفت حسنة لله بخش از باد و هوا آتش كين را مفروز ما را بسر خاك رسول آلله بخش

#### 149

غم چند خوری ز کارِ نا آمده پیش رنجست نصیب مردم دوراندیش خوش باش و جهان تنگ مکن بر دلِ خویش کز خوردنِ غم قضا نگردد کم و بیش

### 79

جامیست که عقلِ آفرین می زندش صد بوسه ر مهْر بر جبین می زندش این کوزهگرِ دهر چنین جام ِلطیف می سازد و باز بر زمین می زندش

<sup>289.</sup> L. Line 2 is a question.

<sup>290.</sup> C. L. A. I. J. So Job: "Is it good unto Thee that Thou shouldest despise the labour of Thine hands?"

In truth wine is a spirit thin as air,

A limpid soul in the cup's earthen ware;

No dull dense person shall be friend of mine Save wine-cups, which are dense and also rare.

#### 292.

O wheel of heaven! no ties of bread you feel, No ties of salt, you flay me like an eel!

A woman's wheel spins clothes for man and wife,

It does more good than you, O heavenly wheel!

#### 293.

Did no fair rose my paradise adorn,

I would make shift to deck it with a thorn;

And if I lacked my prayer-mats, beads, and Shaikh,

Those Christian bells and stoles I would not scorn.

291. I. N. B. Láyik . . . . man: izáfat omitted because of the intervening words. Lumsden, ii., 250. 292. C. L. N. A. I. J.

مي در قدح انصاف كه جانيست لطيف در كالبد شيشه روانيست لطيف لايق نبُود هيچ گران همدم من جز ساغر باده كان گرانيست لطيف

### 797

ای چرخ فلك نه نان شناسی نه نمك پیوسته مرا برهنه سازی چو سمك از چرخ ربي دو شخص پوشیده شود پس چرخ رني به از تو ای چرخ فلك

# 191

گرگل نبُوَد نصیب ما خار اینك ور نور بما نمیرسد تار اینك ور سبحه و ستجاده و شیخی نبود ناقوس و كلیسیا و زنار اینك

<sup>293.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. (under Te). Line 2 is omitted in the translation. So Pope:

<sup>&</sup>quot;For forms and creeds let graceless zealots fight."

"If heaven deny me peace and fame," I said,
"Let it be open war and shame instead;

The man who scorns bright wine had best beware,

I'll arm me with a stone, and break his head!"

#### 295.

See! the dawn breaks, and rends night's canopy:
Arise! and drain a morning draught with me!
Away with gloom! full many a dawn will
break

Looking for us, and we not here to see!

### **296**.

O you, who tremble not at fires of hell,

Nor wash in water of remorse's well,

When winds of death shall quench your vital torch.

Beware lest earth your guilty dust expel.

<sup>294.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J.

<sup>295.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Bisyár, 'frequently.'

گر صلح نیابم ز فلك جنگ اینك ور نام نكو نیات ور نام نكو نباشدم ننگ اینك اینك جام مي لعلِ ارغوان رنگ اینك آنكس كه نمیخورد سر و سنگ اینك

# 190

هین صبح دمید و دامن شب شد چاك برخیز و صبوح كن چرائي غمناك مي نوش دلا كه صبح بسیار دمد او روى بخاك او روى بخاك

### 494

از اتشِ آخرت نمیداری باك در آبِ ندامت نشدی هرگز پاك چون بادِ اجل چراغ عمرت بگشد ترسم كه ترا ز ننگك نیده خاك ترسم كه ترا ز ننگك نیده خاك

<sup>296.</sup> L. Possibly written by some pious reader as an answer to Khayyam's scoffs. See note on Quatrain 223.

This world a hollow pageant you should deem; All wise men know things are not what they seem;

Be of good cheer, and drink, and so shake off This vain illusion of a baseless dream.

#### **2**98.

With maids stately as cypresses, and fair
As roses newly plucked, your wine-cups share,
Or e'er Death's blasts shall rend your robe
of flesh

Like yonder rose leaves, lying scattered there!

#### 299.

Cast off dull care, O melancholy brother!
Woo the sweet daughter of the grape, no other;
The daughter is forbidden, it is true,
But she is nicer than her lawful mother!

297. L. N. All earthly existence is "Maya."

<sup>298.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. The Lucknow commentator says dáman i gul means the maid's cheek.

این صورت کون جمله نقشست و خیال عارف نبُود هر که ندارد این حال بنشین قدم باده بنوش و خوشباش فارغ شو ازین نقش و خیالات محال

# 191

با سرو قدي تازهتر از خرمن گل از دست مده جام ِمي و دامن گل زان پيش ڪه ناڪه شود از بادِ اجل پيراهنِ عمرِ تو چو پيراهن گل

### 499

در سر مگذار هيچ سوداي محال مي خور همه سال ساغرِ مالامال با دختر رز نشين و عيشي هيكن دختر بحرام به كه مادر بحلال

<sup>299.</sup> N. "Daughter of the grape," i.e. wine, a translation of an Arabic phrase.

My love shone forth, and I was overcome,

My heart was speaking, but my tongue was

dumb;

Beside the water-brooks I died of thirst. Was ever known so strange a martyrdom?

### 301.

Give me my cup in hand, and sing a glee In concert with the bulbuls' symphony;

Wine would not gurgle as it leaves the flask, If drinking mute were right for thee and me!

### 302.

The "Truth" will not be shown to lofty thought,
Nor yet with lavished gold may it be bought;
But, if you yield your life for fifty years,
From words to "states" you may perchance be brought.

<sup>300.</sup> N. Dil rubáyé, 'that well-known charmer.' Lumsden, ii. 142. Pur sukhan. See note on No. 227. 301. C. L. N. A. I. J.

#### ۳. .

عشقي بهڪمال و دلرباني بجمال دل پر سخن و زبان زگفتن شده لال زين نادره ترکه ديد يا رب بجهان من تشنه و پيشِ من روان آب زلال

# r.1

مى بركف من نه و بر آور غلغل با نالة، عندليب و صَوْتِ بلبل بي نغمه اگر روا بُدي مي خوردن مي از سر شيشه مينكردي قلقل

# 7.1

اسرارِ حقیقت نشود حل بسوال نه نیز به درباختن نعمت و مال تا جان نکنی و خون خوری <sup>مړن</sup>خه سال از قال ترا ره نه نمایند بحال

<sup>302.</sup> L. Line 3, literally, "Unless you dig up your soul, and eat blood for fifty years." 'States' of ecstatic union with the 'Truth,' or Deity of the Mystics.

I solved all problems, down from Saturn's wreath

Unto this lowly sphere of earth beneath,

And leapt out free from bonds of fraud and lies,

Yea, every knot was loosed, save that of death!

### 304.

Peace! the eternal "Has been" and "To be" Pass man's experience, and man's theory;

In joyful seasons naught can vie with wine, To all these riddles wine supplies the key!

#### 305.

Allah, our Lord, is merciful, though just;
Sinner! despair not, but His mercy trust!
For though to-day you perish in your sins,
To-morrow He'll absolve your crumbling dust.

<sup>303.</sup> C. L. A. I. J. Hama, har, and similar words, are generally written without the izáfat. Lumsden, ii., 249. See Bl., Prosody xii.

از جرم جضیض خاك تا اوج زحل كردم همه مشكلات گردون را حل بيرون جستم ز بند هر مكر و حيل هر سُد كشد اجل

# ۳.۴

تا كي زابد حديث و تا كي زازل بگذشت زاندازه من علم و عمل هنگام طرب شراب را نيست بدل هر مشكل را شراب گرداند حل

# ه ۲۰

از خالقِ کردگار و از ربِّ رحیم نومید مشو بجرم عصیانِ عظیم گر مست و خراب مرده باشی امروز فردا بخشد بر <sup>استُ</sup>خوانهای رمیم

<sup>304.</sup> C. L. A. B. I. J.

<sup>305.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. A very Voltairean quatrain.

Your course annoys me, O ye wheeling skies!
Unloose me from your chain of tyrannies!

If none but fools your favours may enjoy, Then favour me,—I am not very wise!

### 307.

O City Mufti, you go more astray

Than I do, though to wine I do give way;

I drink the blood of grapes, you that of men:

Which of us is the more bloodthirsty, pray?

# 308.

'Tis well to drink, and leave anxiety

For what is past, and what is yet to be;

Our prisoned spirits, lent us for a day,

A while from reason's bondage shall go free!

<sup>306.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J.

<sup>307.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Alluding to the selling of justice by Muftis.

اي چرخ زگردش تو خرسند نيکم آزادم كن كه لايق بند نيکم گر ميل تو با ايخرد و نادانست من نيز چنان اهل و خردمند نيکم

۳.۷

اي مفتي شهر از تو پر کارتريم با اين همه مستى از تو هشيارتريم تو خون کسان خوري و ما خون رزا<sup>ن</sup> انصاف بده كدام خواخوارتريم

T+1

آن به که مجام باده دل شاد کنیم وز آمده و گذشته کم یاد کنیم و گذشته کم یاد کنیم وین عاریتی روان زندانیرا یکلحظه ز بند عقل آزاد کنیم

<sup>308.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. 'Ariyátí rawán, "this borrowed soul."

When Khayyam quittance at Death's hand receives,

And sheds his outworn life, as trees their leaves, Full gladly will he sift this world away, Ere dustmen sift his ashes in their sieves.

#### 310.

This wheel of heaven, which makes us all afraid, I liken to a lamp's revolving shade,

The sun the candlestick, the earth the shade, And men the trembling forms thereon portrayed.

#### 311.

Who was it that did mix my clay? Not I.

Who spun my web of silk and wool? Not 1.

Who wrote upon my forehead all my good,
And all my evil deeds? In truth not I.:

<sup>309.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J.

<sup>310.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. Fánús i khiyál, a magic or Chinese lantern.

# p.9

آن لحظم که از اجل گریزان گردم چون برگ ز شاخ عمر ریزان گردم عالم بنشاط دل بغربال کنیم زان پیش که خاك خاكبیزان گردم

### 71.

این چرخ فلك كه ما درو حیرانیم فانوسِ خیال ازو مثالی دانیم خورشید چراغدان و عالم فانوس ما چون صُوریم كاندر او گردانیم

### 711

از آب وگلم سرشته من چکنم وین پشم رقصب تو رشته من چکنم هر نیك و بدى که آید از ما بوجود تو بر سرِ من نوشته من چکنم

<sup>311.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. In line 2 the rhyme shows the word to be *rishtaí*, not *rushtaí*.

O let us not forecast to-morrow's fears,
But count to-day as gain, my brave compeers!
To-morrow we shall quit this inn, and march
With comrades who have marched seven thousand years.

#### 313.

Ne'er for one moment leave your cup unused!
Wine keeps heart, faith, and reason too, amused;
Had Iblis swallowed but a single drop,
To worship Adam he had ne'er refused!

### 314.

Come, dance! while we applaud thee, and adore Thysweet Narcissus eyes, and grape-juice pour;

A score of cups is no such great affair, But 'tis enchanting when we reach three score!

<sup>312.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Badáúni (ii. 337) says the creation of Adam was 7000 years before his time. Compare Hafiz, Rubú'i, 10.

ای دوست بیا تا غم فردا لخوریم وین یکدمه عمر را غنیمت شمریم فردا که ازین دیرِ کهن درگذریم با هفتهزار سالگان هم سفریم

### 717

بى باده مباش تا تواني يكدم كز باده شود عقل و دل و دين ابليس اگر باده بخوردى يكدم كردي دو هزار سجده پيش آدم

# 711

بر خیز و بکوب پای تا دست زنیم می در نظر درگس سر مست زنیم در بیست زدن ذوق ندارد چندان ذوق عجب آن بود که درشست رتیم

<sup>313.</sup> C. L. (in part) N. A. I. J. See Koran, ii. 31.

<sup>314.</sup> N. Narcissus eyes, i.e. languid.

I close the door of hope in my own face,

Nor sue for favours from good men, or base;

I have but ONE to lend a helping hand,

He knows, as well as I, my sorry case.

#### 316.

Ah! by these heavens, that ever circling run,
And by my own base lusts I am undone,
Without the wit to abandon worldly hopes,

And wanting sense the world's allures to shun!

### 317.

On earth's green carpet many sleepers lie,

And hid beneath it others I descry;

And others, not yet come, or passed away,

People the desert of Nonentity!

<sup>315.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. A "Háliya" quatrain, lamenting his own condition.

<sup>316.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J.

بر خود در کام و آرزو در بستم وز منّت هر ناکس و کس وا رستم جر دوست چوکس نیست که گیرد دستم من دانم و او چنانکه هستم هستم

717

پیوسته زگردش فلك غمگیدم با طبع خسیس خویشتن در کینم عِلمي نه که از سرِ جهان بر خیزم عَقلي نه که فارغ ز جهان بنشینم

MIV

بر مغرش خاك خفتكان مي بينم در زير رهي بينم در زير رهي بينم چندانك مي بينم چندانك مي بينم نا آمدگان و رفتگان مي بينم نا آمدگان و رفتگان مي بينم

<sup>317.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. The sleepers on the earth are those sunk in the sleep of superstition and ignorance.

Sure of Thy grace, for sins why need I fear?

How can the pilgrim faint whilst Thou art near?

On the last day Thy grace will wash me white,

And make my "black record" to disappear.

### 319.

Think not I dread from out the world to hie, And see my disembodied spirit fly;

I tremble not at death, for death is true, 'Tis my ill life that makes me fear to die!

### 320.

Let us shake off dull reason's incubus,
Our tale of days or years cease to discuss,
And take our jugs, and plenish them with
wine,

Or e'er grim potters make their jugs of us!

318. C. L. N. A. I. J. Am is usual after silent he, not after waw. Lumsden, ii. 72. See Koran, xiii. 47. 319. C. L. N. A. I. J. 'Death is true,' i.e. a certainty. So Sir Philip Sidney (after M. Aurelius),

با رحمت تو من از گنه ناندیشم
با توشه ٔ تو ز رنم ره ناندیشم
گر لطف تو ام سفیدرو کرداند
یکذره ر تامه سیه ناندیشم

# 719

تا ظن نبری که از جهان میترسم وز مردن و از رفتنِ جان میترسم مردن چو حقیقتست زان باکم نیست چون نیک نزیستم ازان میترسم

# ۳۲.

تا رونه شویم در روزه شویم در دهر و شویم در دهر چه صد ساله چه یکروزه شویم در ده تو بکاسه می ازان پیش که ما در کارگه کوزهگران کوزه شویم

<sup>&</sup>quot;Since Nature's works be good, and death doth serve As Nature's work, why should we fear to die?" 320. C. L. N. A. B. I. J. Har roza, an adjective.

How much more wilt thou chide, O raw divine, For that I drink, and am a libertine?

Thou hast thy weary beads, and saintly show, Leave me my cheerful sweetheart, and my wine!

#### 322.

Against my lusts I ever war, in vain,
I think on my ill deeds with shame and pain;
I trust Thou wilt assoil me of my sins,
But even so, my shame must still remain.

### 323.

In these twin compasses, O Love, you see One body with two heads, like you and me,

Which wander round one centre, circlewise, But at the last in one same point agree.

<sup>321.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J.

<sup>322.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I.

<sup>323.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. Mr. Fitzgerald quotes a similar

تا چند ملامت کنی ای زاهد خام ما رند خراباتی و مستیم مدام تو در غم تسبیم و ریا و تلبیس ما با می و معشوقه مدامیم بکام

# ۲۲۳

با نفس همیشه در نبردم چکنم وز کرده، خویشتن بدردم چکنم گیرم که زمن در گذراني بکرم زان شرم که دیدي که چه کردم چکنم

# ٣٢٣

اجانا من و تو نمونه و پرگاریم سرگرچه موکرده ایم یکتن داریم در نقطه روانیم کنون دائره وار تا آخر کار سر بهم باز آزیم

figure used by the poet Donne, for which see Ward's "English Poets," i. 562. The two heads are the points of the compasses.

We shall not stay here long, but while we do, 'Tis folly wine and sweethearts to eschew;

Why ask if earth etern or transient be? Since you must go, it matters not to you.

## 325.

In reverent sort to mosque I wend my way, But, by great Allah, it is not to pray;

No! but to steal a prayer-mat! When 'tis worn,

I go again, another to purvey.

# 326.

No more let fate's annoys our peace consume, But let a rather rosy wine consume;

The world exe murderer is, and wine its blood,

Shall we not then that murderer's blood consume?

<sup>324.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J.

<sup>325.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. To "steal a prayer-mat"

چون نیست مقام ِما درین دیر مقیم پس بی می و معشوق خطائیست عظیم تا کی ز قدیم و محدث ای مردِ حکیم چون من رفتم جهان چه محدث چه قدیم

## ٥٢٣

در مسجد اگرچه با نیاز آمده ام حقّا که نه از بهر نماز آمده ام روزی اینجا سجاده، دزدیدم آن کهنه شدست باز باز آمده ام

## 777

ديگرغم اين گردش گردون لمخوريم جز باده عضوريم حز باده عضوريم مي خون جهانست و جهان خوني ما خون مخوريم.

is to pray to be seen of men.—Nicolas. A satire on some hypocrite, perhaps himself.

<sup>326.</sup> L. N. See Koran, ii. 187.

For thee I vow to cast repute away,

And, if I shrink, the penalty to pay;

Though life might satisfy thy cruelty,

'Twere naught, I'll bear it till the judgment-day!

## 328.

In Being's rondure do we stray belated,
Our pride of manhood humbled and abated;
Would we were gone! long since have we been wearied
With this would's griefs, and with its pleasures.

With this world's griefs, and with its pleasures sated.

## 329.

The world is false, so I'll be false as well,
And with bright wine, and gladness ever dwell!
They say, "May Allah grant thee penitence!"
He grants it not, and did he, I'd rebel!

<sup>327.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. Note izáfat dropped after silent ke, and rá separated from its noun.

<sup>328.</sup> L. N.

در عش تو صد گونه ملاست بکشم ور بشکنم این عهد غرامت بکشم گر عمر وفا کند جفاهای ترا باری کم ازانکه تا قیامت بکشم

# 211

در دایرهٔ وجود دیر آمده ایم وز پایهٔ مردمی بزیر آمده ایم چون عمر نه بر مرادِ ما میگذرد ای کاش سر آمدی که سیر آمده ایم

# 779

دنيا مربو فناست من بجز فن نكنم جز يادِ نُسَلَطُ و مي روشن نكنم كويند مراكه ايزدت توبه دهاد او خود ندهد ور بدهد من نكنم

<sup>329.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. Note the pun on fana, 'illusion,' and fan, 'art, fraud.'

When Death shall tread me down upon the plain,

And pluck my feathers, and my life-blood drain, Then mould me to a cup, and fill with wine; Haply its scent will make me breathe again.

## 331.

So far as this world's dealings I have traced,
I find its favours shamefully misplaced;
Allah be praised! I see myself debarred
From all its boons, and wrongfully disgraced.

# 332.

'Tis dawn my heart with wine I will recruit,
And dash to bits the glass of good repute;
My long-extending hopes I will renounce,
And grasp long tresses, and the charming lute.

<sup>330.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J.

<sup>331.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. 'Alam hama, &c., "states entirely

در پاي اجل چو من سرافگنده شوم در دست اجل چو مرغ پرکنده شوم زينهار گلم بجز صراحي مکنيد باشد که ببوي مي زنده شوم باشد که ببوي مي دمي زنده شوم

# ١٣٣

زينگونه كه من كارِ جهاك ميبينم عالم همه رايگاك بران مي بينم سبحان الله بهر چه در مينگرم ناكامي خويش اندر آك مي بينم

ستجر است دمی بر می گلرنگ زنیم صبح است دمی بر می گلرنگ زنیم وین شیشه،نام وننگ بر سنگ زنیم دست از املِ درازِ خود باز کشیم در زلفِ دراز و دامنِ چنگ زنیم

gratuitous." Write barán without a madd. Bl., Prosody, p. 11. Compare Shakespear, Sonnet 66.
332. L. N. B.

Though I had sinned the sins of all mankind,
I know Thou would'st to mercy be inclined;
Thou sayest, "I will help in time of need:"
One needier than me where wilt Thou find?

## 334.

Am I a wine-bibber? What if I am?

Gueber, or infidel? Suppose I am?

Each sect miscalls me, but I heed them not,

I am my own, and, what I am, I am.

## . 335.

All my life long from drink I have not ceased And drink I will to-night on Kader's feast;

And throw my arms about the wine-jar's nec

And kiss its lip, and clasp it to my breast!

<sup>333.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. The waw in 'afw is a consonant, and therefore takes kasra for the izáfat, without the intervention of conjunctive yá.

# شرسس

گر من گنه روی زمین کردستم
عفو تو امید است که گیرد دستم
گفتی که بروزِ عجز دستت گیرم
عاجزتر ازین مخواه کاکنون هستم

# عاس

گر من زمی مغانه مستم هستم ور کافر وگبر و بت پرستم هستم هر طائفه، بمن گمانی دارند من زان خودم چنانکه هستم هستم

## ٥٣٦

هشیار نبوده ام دمی تا هسنم امشت، شب قدرست و من امشب مستم لب بر لب کام و سینه بر سینه عنم تا روز بگردن صراحی دستم

<sup>334.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Zan i khud for azán i khud, "my own property."

<sup>335.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Kadr, the night of power. Koran, xcvi. 1.

I know what is, and what is not, I know
The lore of things above, and things below;
But all this lore will cheerfully renounce,
If one a higher grade than drink can show.

## 337.

Though I drink wine, I am no libertine,
Nor am I grasping, save of cups of wine;
I scruple to adore myself, like you;
For this cause to wine-worship I incline.

# 338.

To confidents like you I dare to say
What mankind really are:—moulded of clay,
Affliction's clay, and kneaded in distress,
They taste the world awhile, then pass away.

<sup>336.</sup> L. N. B. Line 1, Being and Not-being, 'Grade,' i.e. of learning.

<sup>337.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. A hit at the vain and

من ظاهرِ نیستی و هستی دانم من باطن هر فراز و پستی دانم با اینهمه از دانشِ خود شرمم باد گر مرتبه ورایِ مستی دانم

## 44

من باده خورم و ليك مستى نكنم الا بقدح درازدستى نكنم داني غرضم ز مي پرستي چه بود تا همچو تو خويشتن پرستي نكنم

## 77

محرم هستی که با توگویم یك دم کر اوّل کار خود چه بودست آدم محنت زده، سرشته اندرگل غم یکچند جهان بخورْد و بر داشت قدم

covetous Mollas. Also ascribed to Anwari.

<sup>338.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Note the archaic form budast. Bl., Prosody, p. 12. Mihnat zadayé, hamza for ya i tankir.

We make the wine-jar's lip our place of prayer, And drink in lessons of true manhood there,

And pass our lives in taverns, if perchance The time misspent in mosques we may repair.

## 340.

Man is the whole creation's summary,

The precious apple of great wisdom's eye;

The circle of existence is a ring,

Whereof the signet is humanity.

# 341.

With fancies, as with wine, our heads we turn,
Aspire to heaven, and earth's low trammels
spurn;

But, when we drop this fleshly clog, 'tis seen From dust we came, and back to dust'return.

<sup>339.</sup> L. N. In line 4 scan sawmä'āhá. This quatrain is probably mystical.

<sup>340.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. In line 3 scan angashtariyast.

ما جاي نمازي بلب خم كرديم خود را بمي لعل چو مردم كرديم در كوي خرابات مگر بتوان يافت آن عمركه در صومعها گم كرديم

# mp.

مقصود زجمله آفرینش مائیم در چشم خرد جوهر بینش مائیم این دائره ٔ جهان چو انگشتری است بی هیچ شکی نقشِ نگینش مائیم

# 741

ماكز مي بيخودى طربناك شديم وز پايم ُ ذوق بر سرِ افلاك شديم آخر همه ز الايش تن پاك شديم از خاك بر آمديم و با خاك شدين.

Man is the microcosm. See Gulshan i Ráz, p. 15. "The captain jewel of the carcanet." 341. L. N.

If so it be that I did break the fast,

Think not I meant it; no! I thought 'twas

past;—

That day more weary than a sleepless night,— And blesséd breakfast-time had come at last!

## 343.

I never drank of joy's sweet cordial,
But grief's fell hand infused a drop of gall;
Nor dipped my bread in pleasure's piquant
salt,

But briny sorrow made me smart withal!

## 344.

At dawn to tavern haunts I wend my way, And with distraught Kalendars pass the day;

O Thou! who know'st things secret, and things known,

Grant me Thy grace, that I may learn to pray!

<sup>342.</sup> L. N. Roza khwardan, "to avoid fasting." In line 2, for bekhabar read bákhabar.

<sup>343.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. Line 4, literally, "eat a

## ۲عام

من در ومضان روزه اگر میخوردم
تا ظن نبري که با خبر میخوردم
از محنت روزه روز من چون شب بود
پنداشته بودم که سحر میخوردم

# سعس

هرگـز بطرب شربتِ آبي لنخوريم تا از ڪفِ اندوه شرابي لنخوريم ناني نــزنيم در نمك هيچ گهـي تا از جگـر خويش كبابي تخوريم

# عاعاسا

هر روز پگاه در خرابات شوم همراهِ قلندراسِ طامات شوم چون عالم ِسر و للخفیات توی توفیقم ده تا بمناجات شوم

roast of my own liver."

<sup>344.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Khafiyyát means 'manifest,' as well as 'concealed.' Lucknow commentator.

The world's annoys I rate not at one grain,
So I eat once a day, I don't complain;
And, since earth's kitchen yields no solid food,
I pester no man with petitions vain.

# 346.

Never from worldly toils have I been free,
Never for one short moment glad to be!
I served a long apprenticeship to fate,
But yet of fortune gained no mastery.

# 347.

One hand with Koran, one with wine-cup dight,
I half incline to wrong, and half to right;
The azure-marbled sky looks down on me
A sorry Moslem, yet not heathen quite.

- 345. C. L. N. A. I. J. In line 3 the Alif in az is not treated as an Alif i wasl. Bl., Pros. 10.
- 346. C. L. N. A. I. J. Ek dam zadan, 'For one moment.'

# MED

یکجو غم آیام نداریم خوشیم گر چاشت بود شام نداریم خوشیم چون پخته بها نمیرسد از مطبخ ازکس طمع خام نداریم خوشیم

# MEY

یکروز ز بند عالم آزاد نیم یکدم زدن از وجودِ خود شاد نیم شاگردیِ روزگارکردم بشیار در دورِ جهان هنوز استاد نیم

# mev

یکدست بمصحفیم و یکدست بجام گه نزدِ حرام ماثیم درین گنبدِ فیروزه رخام نی کافرِ مطلق نه مسلمانِ تمام

<sup>347.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Khayyam here describes himself as akratés rather than akolastos. "Video meliora proboque," &c.

Khayyam's respects to Mustafa convey,

And with due reverence ask him to say,

Why it has pleased him to forbid pure wine,

When he allows his people acid whey?

## 349.

Tell Khayyam, for a master of the schools,

He strangely misinterprets my plain rules;

Where have I said that wine is wrong for all?

'Tis lawful for the wise, but not for fools.

# 350.

My critics call me a philosopher,

But Allah knows full well they greatly err;

I know not even what I am, much less

Why on this earth I am a sojourner!

<sup>348</sup> and 349. L. These two quatrains are also found in Whalley's Moradabad edition. *Mustafa*, *i.e.* Muhammad. So Avicenna. See Renan, Averroes, 171.

از من بر مصطفی رسانید سلام و انگاه بگوئید باعزاز تمام کای سیّدِ هاشمی چرا دوغ ِ ترش در شرع حلالست و می ِ ناب حرام

# وعائم

از من برخیّام رسانید سلام و انگاه بگوڈید که خامی خیّام من کی گفتم که می حرامست ولی بر پخته حلالست و بر خام حرام

# mo.

دشمن بغلط گفت که من فلسفیم ایزد داند که آنچه او گفت نیم لیکن چو درین غم آشیان آمده ام آخرکم از آن که من ندانم که کیم

<sup>850.</sup> C. L. A. I. J. Filsafat meant the Greek philosophy as cultivated by Persian rationalists, in opposition to theology. Renan, Averroes, p. 91.

The more I die to self, I live the more, The more abase myself, the higher soar;

And, strange! the more I drink of Being's wine

More sane I grow, and sober than before!

## 352.

Quoth rose, "I am the Yusuf flower, I swear,
For in my mouth rich golden gems I bear:"
I said, "Show me another proof." Quoth she,
"Behold this blood-stained vesture that I wear!"

## 353.

I studied with the masters long ago,

And long ago did master all they know;

Hear now the end and issue of it all,

From earth I came, and like the wind I go!

<sup>351.</sup> L. Clearly mystical.

<sup>352.</sup> L. B. Yusuf is the type of manly beauty. The yellow stamens are compared to his teeth. So Jámí, in "Yusuf wa Zulaikha."

## mo 1.

چندانکه زخود نیستترم هستترم هرچند بلند پایهتر پستترم زین طرفهتر آنکه از شراب هستی هر لحظه که هشیارترم مستـترم

# . 101

گل گفت که من يوسف مصرِ چمنم ياقوت گران مايه، پر زر دهنم گفتم چو تو يوسفي نشاني بنماي گفتا که بخون غرق مگر پـيرهنم

# ٣٥٣

یکیچند بکودکی باستاد شدیم یکیچند باستادی خود شاد شدیم پایان سخن شنوکه مارا چه رسید از خاك بر آمدیم و بر باد شدیم

<sup>353.</sup> L. B. Mr. Fitzgerald compares the dying exclamation of Nizám ul-Mulk, "I am going in the hands of the wind!" Mantik ut Tair, l. 4620.

## .354.

Death finds us soiled, though we were pure at birth,

With grief we go, although we came with mirth;

Watered with tears, and burned with fires of woe,

And, casting life to winds, we rest in earth!

# 355.

To find great Jamshed's world-reflecting bowl I compassed sea and land, and viewed the whole; But, when I asked the wary sage, I learned That bowl was my own body, and my soul!

## 356.

Me, cruel Queen! you love to captivate,

And from a knight to a poor pawn translate;

You marshal all your force to tire me out,

You take my rooks with yours, and then checkmate!

<sup>354.</sup> C. L. A. I. J.

<sup>355.</sup> L King Jamshed's cup, which reflected the whole world, is the Holy Grail of Persian poetry. Meaning, "man is the microcosm." See note on

# ۳٥،٥

پاك از عدم آمديم ناپاك شديم آسوده در آمديم و غمناك شديم بوديم ز آب ديده در آتش دل داديم بباد عثر و در خاك شديم

## 200

در جستنِ جام ِجم جهان پیمودیم روزی نه نششتیم و شبی نه غنودیم ز استاد چو وصفِ جام ِجم بشنودیم خود جام ِجهان نمای ِ جم من بودیم

# 707

فرزین مفتا که مست غمهات شده از اسپ پیاده از جِفاهات شدم ز بازیِ فیل و شاه چون در ماندم رخ بررخ ِ تو نهاده ام مات شدم

No. 340. In line 2 scan naghnúdem.

<sup>356.</sup> C. L. A. I. J. The pun on rukh, 'cheek,' and rukh, 'castle,' is untranslatable.

If Allah wills me not to will aright,
How can I frame my will to will aright?

Each single act I will must needs be wrong, Since none but He has power to will aright.

## 358.

"For once, while roses are in bloom," I said,

"I'll break the law, and please myself instead, With blooming youths, and maidens' tulip cheeks

The plain shall blossom like a tulip-bed."

# 359.

Think not I am existent of myself,

Or walk this blood-stained pathway of myself; This being is not I, it is of Him.

Pray what, and where, and whence is this 'myself?'

<sup>357.</sup> C. L. A. I. J.

<sup>358.</sup> L. N. Rozi, yá i batní, or tankir. (?) See note on No. 199.

ایزد چو لخواست آنچه من خواسته ام کی گردد راست آلچه من خواسته ام گر حمله صوابست که او خواسته است پس حمله خطاست آلچه من خواسته ام

## 201

هنگام گلست اختیاری بکنم و انگه بخلاف شرع کاری بکنم با سبزه خطان و لاله رخ روزی چند بر سبزه ز جرعه لاله زاری بکنم

# 3

تا ظن نبري كه من بخود موجودم يا اين رهِ خون خواره بجود پيمودم اين بود نبود من ز بودِ او بود من خود كه بُدم <sup>ك</sup>جا بُدم كي بودم.

<sup>359.</sup> C. L. A. I. J. In line 3 I omit wa after In bud. Meaning, Man's real existence is not of himself, but of the "Truth," the universal Noumenon.

Endure this world without my wine I cannot!

Drag on life's load without my cups I cannot!

I am the slave of that sweet moment, when

They say, "Take one more goblet," and I cannot!

# 361.

You, who both day and night the world pursue, And thoughts of that dread day of doom eschew, Bethink you of your latter end; be sure

As time has treated others, so 'twill you!

## 362.

O man, who art creation's summary,

Getting and spending too much trouble thee!

Arise, and quaff the Etern Cupbearer's wine, And so from troubles of both worlds he free!

<sup>360.</sup> C. L. A. I. J.

<sup>361.</sup> C. L. N. A. I.

<sup>362.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. So Wordsworth, "The world is too much with us," &c. The Sufis rejected talab ud

من بي مي ناب زيستن نتوانم بي باده كشيد بار تن نتوانم من بنده، آن دم كه ساقي گويد يك جام دگر بگير و من نـتوانم

# 311

ای گشته شب و روز بدنیا نگران اندیشه نمیکنی تو از روز گران آخر نفسی ببین و باز آی مجود کایام چگونه میکند با دگران

## 777

ای آنکه توی خلاصه کون و مکان بگذار دمی وشوسه سود و زیان <sup>یکجام</sup> می از ساقی باقی دستان تا باز رهی از غم این هر دو جهان

dunya, "worldliness," and talab ul Ukharat, "otherworldliness," for talab ul Maula "disinterested Godliness." So Madame Guyon taught "Holy Indifference."

In this eternally revolving zone,
Two lucky species of men are known;

One knows all good and ill that are on earth, One neither earth's affairs, nor yet his own.

## 364.

Make light to me the world's oppressive weight,
And hide my failings from the people's hate,
And grant me peace to-day, and on the
morrow

Deal with me as Thy mercy may dictate!

## 365.

Souls that are well informed of this world's state, Its weal and woe with equal mind await,

For, be it weal we meet, or be it woe, The weal doth pass, and woe too hath its date.

<sup>363.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Tamám, 'entirely.' The two classes seem to be practical men and mystics.

<sup>364.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. In line 4 scan ánchaz.

ازگردشِ این دایره بی پایان برخورداری دو نوع مردمرا دان یا با خبری تمام از نیك و بدش یا بیخبری از خود و از كار جهان

# 74

احوالِ جهان بردلم آسان میکن وافعالِ بدم زخلق پنهان میکن امروز خوشم بدار و فردا با من آنچه از کرمت سؤد بها آن میکن

# 770

آنرا که وقوفست بر احوالِ جهان شادي و غم و رنج برُو شد يکسان چون نيك و بد جهان بسر خواهد شد خواهي تو بدرد باش و خواهي درمان

<sup>365.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. 'Twill all be one a hundred years hence.

Lament not fortune's want of constancy,
But up! and seize her favours ere they flee;
If fortune always cleaved to other men,
How could a turn of luck have come to thee?

## 367.

Chief of old friends! hearken to what I say,

Let not heaven's treacherous wheel your heart

dismay;

But rest contented in your humble nook,
And watch the games that wheel is wont to
play.

# 368.

Hear now Khayyam's advice, and bear in mind, Consort with revellers, though they bemaligned, Cast down the gates of abstinence and prayer, Yea, drink, and even rob, but, oh! be kind!

<sup>366.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. This was a saying of Kişra Parvîz to his Sultana. Bicknell's Hafiz, p. 73. 367. C. L. N. A. I. J.

برخیز و مخور غم جهان گذران خوشباش و دمی بشادمانی گذران در طبع جهان اگر وفائی بودی نوبت بتو خود نیامدی از دگران

## 27

بشنو ز من ای زبده یاران کهن اندیشه مکن زین فلکِ بیسر و بن بر کوشه، عرصه، قـناعت بنشین بازیچه، چرخ را تماشا میکن

## 771

تا بتُواني خدمت رندان ميکن بنيادِ نماز و روزه ويران ميکن بشنو سخن راست زخيام اي دوست مي ميخور و ره ميزن و احسان ميکن

<sup>368.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. A rather violent extension of the doctrine, Mercy is better than sacrifice.

This world a body is, and God its soul,

And angels are its senses, who control

Its limbs—the creatures, elements, and spheres;

The ONE is the sole basis of the whole.

## 370.

Last night that idol who enchants my heart, With true desire to elevate my heart,

Gave me his cup to drink; when I refused, He said, "O drink to gratify my heart!"

# 371.

Would'st thou have fortune bow her neck to thee,

Make it thy care to feed thy soul with glee;
And hold a creed like mine, which is, to drain
The cup of wine, not that of misery.

<sup>369.</sup> L. N. So Pope, "All are but parts," &c.

<sup>370.</sup> N.

<sup>371.</sup> L. N. So the Ecclesiast, "There is nothing

حق جانِ جهانست و جهاك جمله بدك واصناف ملائكة حواسِ اين تن افلاك و عناصر و مواليد اعضا توحيد همين است و دگرها همه فن

# rv.

دیشب ز سرِ صدق و صفای دلِ من در میکده آن روح فنزای دل من جامی بهن آورد که بشتان و بخور گفتم لخورم گفت برای دل من

# mv!

خواهي بنهد پيش توگردون گردن كارِ تو بود هميشه جان پروردن همچون منت اعتلقاد بايد كردن مي خوردن و اندوه ِجهان نا خوردن

better for a man than that he should eat, and drink, and make his soul enjoy good in his labour."

# rvr

در عالم خاك از كران تا بكران چندانکه نظر کنند صاحب نظران حاصل ز جهان بیوفا چیزی نیست الا مي لعل و عارضِ خوش پسران

دي بر لب جوى با نگاري موزون من بودم و ساغر شراب گلگون در پیش نهاده صدفی کز گهرش نوبت رن صبح صادق آید بیرون

شرمت ناید ازین تباهی کردن زين ترك اوامر و نواهي كردن گیرم که سراسر اینجهان ملك تو شد جز آن که رهاکنی چه خواهی کردن.

izáfoz being dispensed with (Lumsden, ii. 269), [?] or perhaps ya i tausífí before the "sifat" mawzún.

<sup>374.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J.

In a lone waste I saw a debauchee,

He had no home, no faith, no heresy,

No God, no truth, no law, no certitude;

Where in this world is man so bold as he?

## 376.

Some look for truth in creeds, and forms, and rules;

Some grope for doubts or dogmas in the schools; But from behind the veil a voice proclaims, "Your road lies neither here nor there, O fools."

# 377.

In heaven is seen the bull we name Parwin,
Beneath the earth another lurks unseen;
And thus to wisdom's eyes mankind appear
A drove of asses, two great bulls between!

<sup>375.</sup> L. N. A beshara' or antinomian Sufi.

<sup>376.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. Truth, hidden from theologians and philosophers, is revealed to mystics. See Gulshan i  $R\acute{a}z$ , p. 11.

## TVO

رندي ديدم نشسته هر خشك زمين نه كفرونه اسلام ونه دنيا و نه دين نه حق نه حقيقت نه شريعت نه يقين اندر دو جهان كرا بُود زهره اين

## rvy

قومي متفتّرند در مذهب و دين جمعي متحبّرند در شكّ و يقين ناگاه منادئي بر آيد ز ڪمين کاي بيخبران راه نه آنست و نه اين

## TVV

گاویست در آسمان و نامش پروین یك گاو دگر نهفته در زیرِ زمین چشم خردت کشاي چون اهلِ یقین زیر و زیرِ دو گاو مشتي خر ډین

<sup>377.</sup> L. N. The bulls are the constellation Taurus, and that which supports the earth. Mushté, "a handful;" izáfat displaced by yá i tankír, Lumsden, ii. 269.

The people say, "Why not drink somewhat less? What reasons have you for such great excess?" First, my Love's face, second, my morning draught;

Can there be clearer reasons, now confess?

# 379.

Had I the power great Allah to advise,
I'd bid him sweep away this earth and skies,
And build a better, where, unclogged and free,
The clear soul might achieve her high emprise.

## 380.

This silly sorrow-laden heart of mine Is ever pining for that Love of mine;

When the Cupbearer poured the wine of love,

With my heart's blood he filled this cup of mine!

<sup>378.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J.

<sup>379.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. This recalls the celebrated speech of Alphonse X., king of Castile.

## TVA

گویند برای می که کهتر خور ازین آخر بچه عذر بر نداری سرازین عذر بر نداری سرازین عذرم رخ یار و باده صبحد ست انصاف بده چه عذر روشنتر ازین

# 200

گر بر فلکم دست بُدي چون يزدان بر داشتمي من اين فلکرا ز ميان از نو فلك دگر چنان ساختمي كازاده بكام دل رسيدي آسان

#### TA.

مسکین دلِ دردمندِ دیوانه من هشیار نشد ر غشی جانانه من روری که شرابِ عاشقی میدادند در خون جگر زدند پیمانه من

<sup>380.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. Meaning, 'the wine of life, or existence, poured by the Deity into all beings at creation.' See Gulshan i Ráz, p. 80.

To drain the cup, to hover round the fair,

Can hypocritic arts with these compare?

If all who love and drink are going wrong,

There's many a wight of heaven may well

despair!

## 382.

'Tis wrong with gloomy thoughts your mirth to drown,—

To let grief's millstone weigh your spirits down; Since none can tell what is to be, 'tis best With wine and love your heart's desires to crown.

# 383.

'Tis well in reputation to abide,
'Tis shameful against heaven to rail and chide;
Still, head had better ache with over drink,
Than be puffed up with Pharisaic pride!

<sup>381.</sup> L. N. B. Note the plural nekuán formed without the cuphonic yá. Scan nekŭwán.

#### m^1

میخوردن و گردِ نیکوان گردیدن به زانکه بزرق و زاهدی ورزیدن گر عاشق و مست دوزخی خواهد بود پس روی بهشت کس تخواهد دیدن

## ٣٨٢

نتوان دلِ شاد را بغم فرسودن وقت خوشِ خود بسنگ محنت سودن در دهر که داند که چه خواهد بودن مي بايد و معشوق و بکام آسودن

# ٣٨٣

نیکست بنام نیک مشهور شدن عازست ز جورِ چرخ رنجور شدن خمّار ببوی آبِ انگور شدن به زانکه بزهدِ خویش مغرور شدن

<sup>382.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J.

<sup>383.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Compare Tartuffe, i. 6.

O Lord! pity this prisoned heart, I pray,
Pity this bosom stricken with dismay!
Pardon these hands that ever grasp the cup,
These feet that to the tavern ever stray!

## 385.

O Lord! from self-conceit deliver me,
Sever from self, and occupy with Thee!
This self is captive to earth's good and ill,
Make me beside myself, and set me free!

# 386.

Behold the tricks this wheeling dome doth play,
And earth laid bare of old friends torn away!

O live this present moment, which is thine,
Seek not a morrow, mourn not yesterday!

<sup>384.</sup> N.

<sup>385.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. A mystic's prayer.

یا رب بدلِ اسیرِ من رحمت کن بر سینه غم پذیرِ من رحمت کن بر پای ِ خرابات روِ من بخشای بر دست پیاله گیرِ من رحمت کن

# ٣٨٥

یا رب زقبولِ ورزدم باز رهان مشغول خودت کن ز خودم باز رهان تا هشیارم زنیك و بد میدانم مستم کن و از نیك و بدم باز رهان

## 27

زين گنبد گرديده بد افعالي بين وز رفتن دوستان جهان خالي بين تا بتواني تو يك نفس خود را باش فردا منگر دي مطلب حالي بين

<sup>386.</sup> L. B. Khud rá básh seems an odd expression, perhaps khurram básh is the right reading.

Since all man's business in this world of woe Is sorrow's pangs to feel, and grief to know, Happy are they that never come at all,

And they that, having come, the soonest go!

## 388.

By reason's dictates it is right to live,
But of ourselves we know not how to live,
So Fortune, like a master, rod in hand,
Raps our pates well to teach us how to live!

## 389.

Nor you nor I can read the etern decree,
To that enigma we can find no key;
They talk of you and me behind the veil,
But, if that veil be lifted, where are we?

<sup>387.</sup> C. L. A. B. I. J. Compare the chorus in the Oedipus Coloneus.

<sup>388.</sup> L. Fortune's buffets.

#### MAY

چون حاصلِ آدمی در این شورستان جز خوردنِ غصّه نیست یا کندن جان خرّم دلِ آن که زین جهان زود برفت آسوده کسی که خود نیامد بجهان

## ٣٨٨

بر موجب عقل زندگاني كردن شايد كردن ولي نداني كردن استادِ تو روزگار چابكدستست چندان بسرت زند كه داني كردن

# m19

اسرارِ ازل را نه تو دانی و نه من وین می وین حرف معما نه تو خوانی و نه می هست از پس پرده گفتگوئی می و تو چون پرده برافتد نه تو مانی و نه می

389. C. L. A. I. J. Meaning, We are part of the "veil" of phenomena, which hides the Divine Noumenon. If that be swept away what becomes of us?

O Love, for ever doth heaven's wheel design To take away thy precious life, and mine; Sit we upon this turf, 'twill not be long Ere turf shall grow upon my dust, and thine!

## 391.

When life has fled, and we rest in the tomb,
They'll place a pair of bricks to mark our tomb;
And, a while after, mould our dust to bricks,
To furnish forth some other person's tomb!

## 392.

Yon palace, towering to the welkin blue,
Where kings did bow them down, and homage
do,

I saw a ringdove on its arches perched,
And thus she made complaint, "Coo Coo, Coo,
Coo!"

<sup>390.</sup> L. N. B.

<sup>391.</sup> L. N. A. I.

<sup>392.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Mr. Binning found this

این چرخ فلك بهر هلاك من و تو قصدي دارد بجان پاك من و تو در سبزه نشين بُتًا كه بس دير نمائد تا سبزه برون دمد ز خاك من و تو

# ١٩٩

از تن چو برفت جانِ پاكِ من و تو خشتى دو نهند بر مغاكِ مَن و تو وانگه ز براي خشت گورِ دگران در كالبدى كشند خاكِ من و تو

# ۲۹۲

آن قصر که بر چرخ همی زد پهلو بر درگیم او شهان نهادندی رو دیدیم که بر کنگره اش فاخته آواز همیداد که کو کو کو کو

quatrain inscribed on the ruins of Persepolis. Fitzgerald. Coo  $(K\acute{u})$  means "Where are they?"

We come and go, but for the gain, where is it?

And spin life's woof, but for the warp, where is it?

And many a righteous man has burned to dust

In heaven's blue rondure, but their smoke, where is it?

#### 394.

Life's well-spring lurks within that lip of thine! Let not the cup's lip touch that lip of thine!

Beshrew me, if I fail to drink his blood, For who is he, to touch that lip of thine?

## 395.

Such as I am, Thy power created me, Thy care hath kept me for a century!

Through all these years I make experiment, If my sins or Thy mercy greater be.

<sup>393.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. So Ecclesiastes, "There is no remembrance of the wise, more than of the fool." "Smoke," i.e. trace.

از آمدن و رفتن ما سودی کو وز تار وجود عمر ما پودي کو در چنبر چرخ جسم چندين پاکان ميسوزد و خاك ميشود دودي کو

# سم الح

اي آبِ حيات مَضْمر اندر لبِ تو مئذاركه بوسد لبِ ساغر لبِ تو گرخونِ صَرَاحي شخورم مرد نيم او خود كه بود كه لب نهد بر لب تو

# m9 0

آنم که پدید گشتم از قدرت تو صد ساله شدم بناز و نعمت تو صد سال بامتحان گنه خواهم کرد یا جرم منست بیش یا رحمت تو

<sup>394.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. To a sweetheart.

<sup>395.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. God's long-suffering.

"Take up thy cup and goblet, Love," I said,

"Haunt purling river bank, and grassy glade; Full many a moon-like form has heaven's wheel

Oft into cup, oft into goblet, made!"

## 397.

We buy new wine and old, our cups to fill,
And sell for two grains this world's good and
ill;

Know you where you will go to after death? Set wine before me, and go where you will!

#### 398.

Was e'er man born who never went astray?

Did ever mortal pass a sinless day?

If I do ill, do not requite with ill!

Evil for evil how can'st Thou repay?

<sup>396.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J.

<sup>397.</sup> L. N.... C. A. I. and J. give lines 1 and 2 differently.

بر دار پیاله و سبو اي دلجو بر گرد بگردِ سبزهزار و لبِ جو کين چرخ بسي قدِّ بتانِ مهرو صد بار پياله ڪرد و صد بار سبو

# m9 v

مائیم خریدارِ می کهنه و نو وانگاه فروشنده، عالم بدو جو داني که پس از مرگ کجا خواهي رفت مي پيشِ من آر و هرکجا خواهي رو

# 294

نا کرده گناه در جهان کیست بگو وانکس که گنه نکرد چون زیست بگو می بد کنم و تو بد مکافات دهی پس فرق میان می و تو چیست بگو

<sup>898.</sup> L. N. Lines 3 and 4 are paraphrased somewhat freely.

Bring forth that ruby gem of Badakhshán, That heart's delight, that balm of Turkistán;

They say 'tis wrong for Musulmáns to drink, But ah! where can we find a Musulmán?

## 400.

My body's life and strength proceed from Thee!

My soul within and spirit are of Thee!

My being is of Thee, and Thou art mine,

And I am Thine, since I am lost in Thee!

## 401.

Man, like a ball, hither and thither goes,
As fate's resistless bat directs the blows;
But He, who gives thee up to this rude sport,
He knows what drives thee, yea, He knows, He knows!

<sup>399.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Some MSS. read labála'l.

<sup>400.</sup> L. "In him we live and move, and have our being."

<sup>401.</sup> C. L. A. I. J. Line 4 is in metre 22, con-

یاقوت لب لعل بدخشانی کو وان راحت روح و راح ریجانی کو گویند حرام در مسلمانی شد تو می خور و غم مخور مسلمانی کو

# P. . .

ای زندگی تن و توانم همه تو جانی و دلی ای دل و جانم همه تو تو هستیِ من شدی ازانی همه من من نیست شدم در تو ازانم همه تو

# 1001

اي رفته بچوگانِ قضا همچوگو چپ می خورد.و راست برو هیچ مگو کانکس که ترا فکند اندر تك و پو او داند او داند او داند او

sisting of ten syllables, all long. The alifs after each dámad are treated as ordinary consonants. Bl., Prosody, p. 10.

O Thou who givest sight to emmet's eyes,
And strength to puny limbs of feeble flies,
To Thee we will ascribe Almighty power,
And not base unbecoming qualities.

### 403.

Let not base avarice enslave thy mind,

Nor vain ambition in its trammels bind;

Be sharp as fire, as running water swift,

Not, like earth's dust, the sport of every wind!

### 404.

'Tis best all other blessings to forego

For wine, that charming Turki maids bestow;

Kalandars' raptures pass all things that are,

From moon on high down unto fish below!

<sup>402.</sup> L. An echo of the Asharians' discussions on the Divine attributes.

<sup>403.</sup> L. C. A. I. J.

<sup>404.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. For mai L. reads hakk,

در دید به تنگ مور نورست از تو در پای ضعیف پشه زورست از تو ذات تو سزاست مر خداوندی را هر وصف که ناسزاست دورست از تو

# 10.7

گر باخردی تو حرص را بنده مشو در پای طمع خوار و سرافگنده مشر چون اتش تیز باش چون آب روان چون خاك بهر باد پراگنده مشو

## عر،عا

از هرچه بجز میست کوتاهی به می هم ز کف بتان خرگاهی به مستی و قلندری و گمراهی به یکجرعه، می ز ماه تا ماهی به

probably a Sufi gloss. In line 4 scan mastiyy-ŏ. Bl., Prosody, p. 11. Kalandars, bibulous Sufis. Fish, that whereon the earth was said to rest.

Friend! trouble not yourself about your lot, Let futile care and sorrow be forgot;

Since this life's vesture crumbles into dust, What matters stain of word or deed, or blot?

# 406.

O thou who hast done ill, and ill alone,
And thinkest to find mercy at the throne,
Hope not for mercy! for good left undone
Cannot be done, nor evil done undone!

# 407.

Count not to live beyond your sixtieth year, To walk in jovial courses persevere;

And ere your skull be turned into a cup, Let wine-cups ever to your hand adhere!

<sup>405.</sup> L. N.

<sup>406.</sup> N. A. I. This quatrain is by Abu Sa'id Abu'l

ای بار و روزگار باش آسوده واندوهِ زمانه کم خور از بیهوده چون کسوتِ عمر بر تنت چاك شود چه کرده و چه گفته و چه آلوده

#### 10.4

اي نيك ذكرده و بديها كرده وانگاه بلطف حق تولا كرده بر عفو مكن تكيه كه هرگز نبود ناكرده چون ناكرده

## r.v

اندازه عمر دیش از شصت منه هر جا که قدم فخه بجز مست منه زان پیش که کله سرت کوزه کنند رو کوزه ز دوش و کاسه از دست منه

Khair; and is an answer to No. 420, which is attributed to Avicenna.

407. L. N. B.

These heavens resemble an inverted cup,
Whereto the wise with awe keep gazing up;
So stoops the bottle o'er his love, the cup,
Feigning to kiss, and gives her blood to sup!

#### 409.

I sweep the tavern threshold with my hair,
For both worlds' good and ill I take no care;
Should the two worlds roll to my house, like balls,

When drunk, for one small coin I'd sell the pair!

### 410.

The drop wept for his severance from the sea, But the sea smiled, for "I am all," said he, "The Truth is all, nothing exists beside, That one point circling apes plurality."

408. C. L. N. A. B. I. Blood, an emblem of hate. 409. L. N. B. In lines 3 and 4 note Gúi, kúy, and júi, scanned as trochee, monosyllable, and iambus

#### F . A

این چرخ چو طاسیست نگون افتاده دروی همه زیرکان زبون افتاده در دوستی شیشه و ساغر نگرید سر لب و در میانه خون افتاده

# 10.9

ای من درِ میخانه بسبلت رفیته ترك بد و نیك هر دو عالم گفته گر هر دو جهان چو گوی افستد بكوي بر من بجوی چو مست باشم خفته

## 41.

قطره بگریست که از بحر جدائیم همه بحر بر قطره مجندید که مائیم همه در حقیقت دگری نیست خدائیم همه لیك از گردش یكنقطه جدائیم همه.

respectively. Bl., Prosody, p. 12.

<sup>410.</sup> N. This is in Ramal metre, No. 50. Compare Gulshan i Ráz, line 710.

Shall I still sigh for what I have not got,
Or try with cheerfulness to bear my lot?
Fill up my cup! I know not if the breath
I now am drawing is my last, or not!

# 412.

Yield not to grief, though fortune prove unkind,
No call sad thoughts of parted friends to mind;
Devote thy heart to sugary lips, and wine,
Cast not thy precious life unto the wind!

### 413.

Of mosque and prayer and fast preach not to me,

Rather go drink, were it on charity!

Yea, drink, Khayyam, your dust will soon be
made

A jug, or pitcher, or a cup, may be!

411. C. L. N. A. B. I. J. Some MSS. place this quatrain under Radif Ya.

412. L. N. B.

تاکي غمِ آن خورم که دارم یا نه
وین عمر بخوشدلی گذارم یا نه
پرکن قدے باده که معلومم نیست
کین دم که فرو برم بر آرم یا نه

# 411

تن در غم روزگار بدداد مده جانوا زغم گذشتگان یاد مده دل جز بشکر لب پریزاد مده ی باده میاش و عمر بر باد مده

# FIF

تا چند ز مسجد و نماز و روزه در میکدها مست شو از دریوزه خیام بخور باده که این حاك ترا گه جام كنند و گه سبو گه کوره

<sup>413.</sup> N. "Imperial Cæsar, dead, and turned to clay,
Might stop a hole to keep the wind away."

Bulbuls, doting on roses, oft complain

How froward breezes rend their veils in twain;

Sit we beneath this rose, which many a time

Has sunk to earth, and sprung from earth again.

## 415.

Suppose the world goes well with you, what then?

When life's last page is read and turned, what then?

Suppose you live a hundred years of bliss, Yea, and a hundred years besides, what then?

#### 416.

How is it that of all the leafy tribe, Cypress and lily men as "free" describe?

This has a dozen tongues, yet holds her peace, That has a hundred hands which take no bribe.

- 414. L. N. B. So Moschus on the mallows.
- 415. C. L. N. A. I. J. Ránda, see Vullers, p. 100.
- 416. L. N. Sa'di in the Gulistan, Book viii., gives

بنگر ز صبا دامن گل چاك شده بلبل ز جمال گل طربناك شده در سایمه گل نشین که بسیار این گل از خال بر آمدست و بر خال شده

# 1010

دنیا بمراد رانده گیر آخر چه
وین نامه، عمر خوانده گیر آخر چه
گیرم که بکام دل بمانی صد سال
صد سال دگر بمانده گیر آخر چه

# 1917

داني زچه روي اوفتادست و چه راه آزادي سرو و سوسن اندر افواه این دارد ده زبان ولیکن خاموش وان دارد صد دست ولیکن کوتاه

another explanation of this expression. "Tongues, stamens, and hands, branches."

Cupbearer! bring my wine-cup, let me grasp it!

Bring that delicious darling, let me grasp it!

That pleasing chain which tangles in its coils

Wise men and fools together, let me grasp it!

#### 418.

Alas! my wasted life has gone to wrack!

What with forbidden meats, and lusts, alack!

And leaving undone what 'twas right to do,

And doing wrong, my face is very black!

### 419.

I could repent of all, but of wine, never!

I could dispense with all, but with wine, never!

If so be I became a Musulman,

Could I abjure my Magian wine? no, never!

117. L. N. Bipéchand seems a plural of dignity.
118. C. L. N. A. I. Harám, the predicate of lakma.
These whimsical outbursts of self-reproach in the midst

# FIV

ساقی می خوشگوار بر دستم نه وان باده چون نگار بر دستم نه آن می که چو رنجیر بپیچند بهم دیوانه و هوشیار بر دستم نه

## 411

فریاد که رفت عمر بر بیهوده هم لقمه حرام و هم نفس آلوده فرموده، نا کرده سیم رویم کرد فریاد زکردهای نا فرموده

# 1919

من توبه کنم از همه چیز از می نه کز جمله گزیر داشدم از وی نه اما بود آنکه من مسلمان گردم وین ترک می مغانه کویم بهی نه

of antinomian utterances are characteristic of Khayyam. 419. L. N. The Magians sold wine.

We rest our hopes on Thy free grace alone,
Nor seek by merits for our sins to atone;
Mercy drops where it lists, and estimates
Ill done as undone, good undone as done.

# 421.

This is the form Thou gavest me of old,
Wherein Thou workest marvels manifold;
Can I aspire to be a better man,
Or other than I issued from Thy mould?

# 422.

O Lord! to Thee all creatures worship pay, To Thee both small and great for ever pray, Thou takest woe away, and givest weal, Give then, or, if it please Thee, take away!

<sup>420.</sup> L. N. A. I. This quatrain is also ascribed to the celebrated philosopher Avicenna. See No. 406.

<sup>421.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. This is a variation of No. 221.

مائیم بلطفِ تو تولاً کرده وز طاعت و معصٰیت تبرا کرده آنجا که عنایت تو باشد باشد نا کرده چوکرده کرده چون نا کرده

411

نقشیست که در وجود ما ریخته، صد بو العجبی زما بر انگیخته، من زان به ازین نمیتوانم بودن کر بوته مرا چنین فرو ریخته،

477

اي در ره بندگيت يكسان كه و مه در هر دو جهان خدمت درگاه تو به نكبت تو هي نكبت تو دهي يا رب تو بفضل خويش بشتان و بهه

<sup>422.</sup> L. Scan bandagita, omitting fatha before te. Vullers, p. 197.

With going to and fro in this sad vale

Thou art grown double, and thy credit stale,

Thy nails are thickened like a horse's hoof,

Thy beard is ragged as an ass's tail.

### 424.

O unenlightened race of humankind,
Ye are a nothing, built on empty wind!
Yea, a mere nothing, hovering in the abyss,
A void before you, and a void behind!

## 425.

Each morn I say, "To-night I will repent
Of wine, and tavern haunts no more frequent;"
But while 'tis spring, and roses are in bloom,
To loose me from my promise, O.consent!

<sup>423.</sup> C. L. A. I. J. A description of old age.

<sup>424.</sup> C. L. A. I. J. The technical name for existence between two non-existences is Takwin. Bl. Ain i

## FTM

ای رفته و باز آمده و خم گشته تامت ز میانِ مردمان گم گشته ناخن همه جمّع آمده و سُم گشته ریش از پس کون آمده و دُم گشته

# Pre

اي بيخبر از كارِ جهان هيچ نه؛ بنياد ببادست ازان هيچ نه؛ شد حدِّ وجود در ميانِ دو عدم اطراف بود تو در ميان هيچ نه؛

# ه ۲۲

هر روز برانم که کنم شب توبه از جام و پیاله ٔ لبالب توبه اکنون که رسید وقت گل ترکم ده در موسم گل ز توبه یا رب توبه

Akbari, p. 198. Compare the term "nunc stans," applied to Time by the Schoolmen.

<sup>425.</sup> C. L. A. I. J.

Vain study of philosophy eschew!

Rather let tangled curls attract your view;

And shed the bottle's life-blood in your cup, Or e'er death shed your blood, and feast on you.

## 427.

O heart! can'st thou the darksome riddle read, Where wisest men have failed, wilt thou succeed?

Quaff wine, and make thy heaven here below, Who knows if heaven above will be thy meed?

# 428.

They that have passed away, and gone before, Sleep in delusion's dust for evermore;

Go, boy, and fetch some wine, this is the truth, Their dogmas were but air, and wind their lore!

<sup>426.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. Bigorézí bi, "better that you should eschew."

<sup>427.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J.

از درس علوم جمله بگریزی به واندر سر زلف دلبر آویزی به زان پیس که روزگار خونت ریزد تو خون صراحی بقدے ریزی به

#### Frv

ا*ي دل تو باسرارِ مع*بّا برُّسي در نڪتهءُ زيرکانِ دانا نرسي <sup>اينج</sup>ا بهی و جام بـهشتی ميساز کانجا ڪه بـهشتست رسی يا نرسی

## F . V

آنان که ز پیش رفته اند ای ساقی در خاك غرور خفته اند ای ساقی رو باده خور و حقیقت از من بشنو بادست هر آنچه گفته انده ای ساقی

428. C. L. N. A. B. I. J. So Ecclesiastes, "I gave my heart to know wisdom . . . and perceived that this also is vanity."

O heart! when on the Loved One's sweets you feed,

You lose yourself, yet find your Self indeed;
And, when you drink of His entrancing cup,
You hasten your escape from quick and dead!

# 430.

Though I am wont a wine-bibber to be,
Why should the people rail and chide at me?
Would that all evil actions made men drunk,
For then no sober people should I see!

### 431.

Child of four elements and sevenfold heaven,
Who fume and sweat because of these eleven,
Drink! I have told you seventy times and
seven,

Once gone, nor hell will send you back, nor heaven.

<sup>429.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Die to self, to live in God, your true self. See Max Müller, Hibbert Lectures, p. 375.

اي دل. چو بېزم آن صنم بنشستي از خويش بريدي و بخود پيوستي از جام فنا چو جرعه، نوشيدي از بود و نبودگان بکلي رستي

# ٣٣

افستاه مرا با می و مستی کاری خلقم بچه میکند ملامت باری ای کاش که هر حرام مستی کردی تا من بجهان ندیدمی هشیاری

## 15 1

ای آنکه نتیجمه چهار و هفتی در هفت و چهار دائم اندر تفتی می خور که چهار بار بیشت گفتم باز آمدنت نیست چو رفتی رفتی

<sup>430.</sup> C. N. A. I. J.

<sup>431.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J.

With many a snare Thou dost beset my way, And threatenest, if I fall therein, to slay;

Thy rule resistless sways the world, yet Thou Imputest sin, when I do but obey!

## 433.

To Thee, whose essence baffles human thought, Our sins and righteous deeds alike seem naught;

May Thy grace sober me, though drunk with sins,

And pardon all the ill that I have wrought!

## 434.

If this life were indeed an empty play, Each day would be an 'Id or festal day,

And men might conquer all their hearts desire,

Fearless of after penalties to pay!

<sup>432.</sup> B. N. Allah is the Fá'il i hakíkí, the only real agent, according to the Sufi view. Hukmi tu kuní, "Thou givest thy order," Should we read hukmé? 433. L. N.

بر رهگذرم هزار جا دام نهي گوڻي کشمت اگر در او گام نهي يك ذره ز حكم تو جهان خالي نيست حكم تو كني و عاصيم نام نهي

## المالها عا

ای از حرم ذات تو عقل آگه نی وز معصیت و طاعت ما مستغنی مستم زگناه و از رجا هشیارم امید برحمت تو دارم یعنی

## FMF

این کارِ جهان اگر بتقلیدستی هر روز بجایِ خویشتن عیدستی هرکس بمرادِ خویش دستی بزدی گرزانکه نه این بیهٔده تهدیدستی

<sup>434.</sup> N. N. takes taklid in the sense of "authority," but I think it alludes to Koran, xxix. 64. See Gulshan i Ráz, p. 50.

O wheel of heaven, you thwart my heart's desire,

And rend to shreds my scanty joy's attire,

The water that I drink you foul with earth,

And turn the very air I breathe to fire!

### 436.

O soul! could you but doff this flesh and bone, You'd soar a sprite about the heavenly throne; Had you no shame to leave your starry home, And dwell an alien on this earthy zone?

## 437.

Ah, potter, stay thine hand! with ruthless art
Put not to such base use man's mortal part!
See, thou art mangling on thy cruel wheel
Farídun's fingers, and Kai Khosrau's heart!

<sup>435.</sup> C. L. N. A. I.

<sup>436.</sup> C. L. N. B. A. I.

<sup>437.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. Faridun and Kai Khosrau were

اي چرخ دلم هميشه غمناك كني پـيراهن خرميّ من چاك كني بادي كه رسد بمن تـو اش آب كني آبي كه خورم تو در دهن خاك كني

## 444

اي دل ز غبارِ جسم اگر پاك شوي تو روح مجردي بر افلاك شوي عرش است نشيمنِ تو شرمت بادا كائي و مقيم خطّه، خاك شوي

ای کوزهگرا بکوش اگر هشیاری تا چند کنی برگلِ آدم خواری انگشتِ فریدون و کف کیخسرو بر چرخ نهاده؛ چه می پنداری

ancient kings of Persia. Kai Khosrau is usually identified with Cyrus.

O rose! all beauties' charms thou dost excel,
As wine excels the pearl within its shell;
O fortune! thou dost ever show thyself
More strange, although I seem to know thee

### 439.

From this world's kitchen crave not to obtain Those dainties, seeming real, but really vain, Which greedy worldlings gorge to their own loss;

Renounce that loss, so loss shall prove thy gain!

#### 440.

Plot not of nights, thy fellows' peace to blight, So that they cry to God the live-long night;

Nor plume thee on thy wealth and might, which thieves

May steal by night, or death, or fortune's might.

well!

<sup>438.</sup> N. Mimání, You resemble.

<sup>439.</sup> L. N. B.

<sup>440.</sup> N. Tá bar nikashand "Let us abstain from

اي گل تو بروي دلربا ميماني وي مل تو بلعلِ جانفزا ميماني اي بخت ستيزه کار هر دم با س بيگانهتر*ک* و آشنا ميماني

## وسرع

از مطبخ دنیا تو همه دود خوری تا چند عُمانِ بود و نابود خوري دنیا که بر اهلِ او زیانیست عظیم گر ترک ِ زیان کنی همه سود خوري

rr.

آزارِ دلِ خلق مجوئیم شبی تا بر نکشند یا ربی نیم شبی بر مال و جمالِ خویشتن تکیه مکن کانرا بشبی برند و این را بشهبی

oppressing people, so that they may not heave a sigh, saying, O Lord."

This soul of mine was once Thy cherished bride, What caused Thee to divorce her from Thy side? Thou didst not use to treat her thus of yore, Why then now doom her in the world to abide?

### 442.

Ah! would there were a place of rest from pain, Which we, poor pilgrims, might at last attain, And after many thousand wintry years, Renew our life, like flowers, and bloom again!

### 443.

While in love's book I sought an augury; An ardent youth cried out in ecstacy,

"Who owns a sweetheart beauteous as the moon,

Might wish his moments long as years to be!"

<sup>441.</sup> L. N.

<sup>442.</sup> C. N. A. I. J. In line 2, for basar some MSS. read rawe and some rahe.

# FFI

اوّل بخودم چو آشنا میکردی آخر ز خودم چرا جدا میکردی چون ترک منت نبود از روزِ مخست سرگشته بعالمم چرا میکردی

## ۲عم

اي كاش كه جاي آرميدن بودي يا اين ره را بسر رسيدن بودي كاش از پي صد هزار سال از دلِ خاك چون سبزه آميد نو دميدن بودي

### FFF

از دفــــتـرِ عشق ميكشودم فالي ناگاه ز سوز سينـــــ صاحب حالي ميگفت خوشاكسيكه در خانــــــ او ياريست چو ماهـــيّــ و شــــي چون سالي

<sup>443.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. Compare the "sortes Virgilianæ." Line 4 is freely paraphrased. In line 4, scan máhīŋyð. Bl., Prosody, p. 11.

Winter is past, and spring-tide has begun,
Soon will the pages of life's book be done!
Well saith the sage, "Life is a poison rank,
And antidote, save grape-juice, there is none."

#### 445.

Beloved, if thou a reverend Molla be,

Quit saintly show, and feigned austerity,

And quaff the wine that Murtaza purveys,

And sport with Houris 'neath some shady tree!

## **446**.

Last night I dashed my cup against a stone, In a mad drunken freak, as I must own, And lo! the cup cries out in agony, "You too, like me, shall soon be overthrown."

<sup>444.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J.

<sup>445.</sup> N. Note the change from the imperative to the arrist. In line 4 scan Murtazáshū. Murtaza (Ali) is

### عرعزع

از آمدنِ بهار و از رفتنِ دي اوراقِ وجود ما هميگردد طي مي خور مخور اندوه که گفتست حکيم غمهاي جهان چو زهر و ترياڪش مي

### FFO

اي دل می و معشوق بکن در باغي سالوس رها کن و مکن زرّاقي گر پير و احمدي خوري جام ِشراب زان حوض که مرتضاش باشد ساقي

### FF

ہر سنگ زدم دوش سبوئي کاشي سر مست بُدم که کردم این اوباشي با من بزبانِ حال میگفت سبو من چون تو بدم تو نیز چون من ہاشي

the celestial cupbearer.

<sup>446.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. Sabóyiy, yá i batní, joined to the noun by euphonic or conjunctive yá.

My heart is weary of hypocrisy,

Cupbearer, bring some wine, I beg of thee!

This hooded cowl and prayer-mat pawn for wine,

Then will I boast me in security.

### 448.

Audit yourself, your true account to frame, See! you go empty, as you empty came; You say, "I will not drink and peril life," But, drink or no, you must die all the same!

## 449.

Open the door! O entrance who procurest,
And guide the way, O Thou of guides the surest!

Directors born of men shall not direct me,
Their counsel comes to naught, but Thou endurest!

<sup>447.</sup> N.

<sup>448.</sup> C. L. N., A. I. In line 2, scan áwardiyő.

## FICV

بغُرفت مرا ملالت از زرّاقی بر خیز و سبک باده بیار ای ساقی سجّاده و طیلسان بمی ساز گرو تا بو که شود لافِ من اندر باقی

## FFA

برگير زخود حساب اگر با خبري کاول تو چه آوردي و آخر چه بري گوئي نخورم باده که ميبايد مرد ميبايد مرد اگر خوري يا نخوري

# 449

بَصَّشَاي درم که در کشاینده توثی بنمای رهم که ره نماینده توثی من دست بهیچ دستگیری ندهم کایشان همه فانی اند و پاینده توثی

<sup>449.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. In line 4, scan fániyand, dissolving the letter of prolongation, yá.

In slandering and reviling you persist, Calling me infidel and atheist:

My errors I will not deny, but yet
Does foul abuse become a moralist?

### 451.

To find a remedy, put up with pain,
Chafe not at woe, and healing thou wilt gain;
Though poor, be ever of a thankful mind,
'Tis the sure method riches to obtain.

## 452.

Give me a skin of wine, a crust of bread,

A pittance bare, a book of verse to read;

With thee, O love, to share my lowly roof,

I would not take the Sultan's realm instead!

<sup>450.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. In line 1, scan gōyi-yōz, Bl., Prosody, p. 10. The tashdid of mukir is dropped.
451. L. N. Dawiyiy. The first ya is the conjunctive

با من دو هرآنچه گوئي از كين گوئي پيوسته مرا <sup>مل</sup>حد و بيدين گوئي من خود مقرم بر آنچه هستم ليكن انصاف بده ترا رسد كين گوئي

401

با درد بساز تا دوائي يابي وز رنج منال تا شفائي يابي ميباش بوقت بينوائي شاكر تا عاقبت الامر نوائي يابي

1001

تنگي مي لعل خواهم و ديواني سدِّ رمقي بايړ، و نصفِ ناني وانڪه من و تو نشسته در ويراني خوشتر بود از مملڪتِ سلطِاني

ya (Vullers, p. 16), the second, yá i tankír.

<sup>452.</sup> N. B. Tangé, the izáfat is displaced by yá i tankír, according to Lumsden, ii. 269. [Sed quære].

Reason not of the five, nor of the four,

Be their dark problems one, or many score;

We are but earth, go, minstrel, bring the lute,

We are but air, bring wine, I ask no more!

## **454**.

Why argue on Yasin and on Barat?

Write me the draft for wine they call Barat!

The day my weariness is drowned in wine

Will seem to me as the great night Barat!

## 455.

Whilst thou dost wear this fleshly livery, Step not beyond the bounds of destiny;

Bear up, though very Rustams be thy foes, And crave no boon from friends like Hatim.Tai!

<sup>453.</sup> N. C. L. A. I. J. give only the first line of this. Five senses, four elements.

<sup>454.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Yasin is the 64th, and

تا چند حدیثِ پنج و چار ای ساقی مشکل چه یکی چه صد هزار ای ساقی خاکیم همه چنگ بساز ای ساقی بادیم همه باده بیار ای ساقی

## 10010

تا چند زیاسین و برات ای ساقی بنّویس <sup>بمیخ</sup>انه برات ای ساقی روز*ی* که برات ما <sup>بمیخ</sup>انه برند آنروز بود شب برات ای ساقی

### 400

تا در تن تست استخوان و رگ و پي از خانه تقدير منه بيرون پي گردن منه ار خصم بود رستم زال منت مكش ار دوست بود جاتم طي.

Burút the 9th, chapter of the Koran. Barát, the "night of power."

<sup>455.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J.

These ruby lips, and wine, and minstrel boys,

And lute, and harp, your dearly cherished toys,

Are mere redundancies, and you are naught,

Till you renounce the world's delusive joys.

### 457.

Bow down, heaven's tyranny to undergo,
Quaff wine to face the world, and all its woe;
Your origin and end are both in earth,
But now you are above earth, not below!

### 458.

You know all secrets of this earthly sphere, Why then remain a prey to empty fear?

You cannot bend things to your will, but yet Cheer up for the few moments you are here!

<sup>456.</sup> L. N. Hashw, mere "stuffing," "leather or prunello."

نا در هوس لعلِ لب و جام ٍ مئي نا در پي آوازِ دف و چنگ ِ نئي اينها همه حشو است خدا ميداند نا تركِ تعلّق نكني هيچ نئي

#### POV

دن زن چو بزیرِ فلكِ بیباکی می نوش چو در عالم ِ آفتناکی چون اوّل و آخرت بجز خاکی نیست انگار که در خاك نئی بر خاکی

## 10 A

چون واقفي اي پسر ز هر اسراري چندين چه خوري به بيهده تيماري چوك مي نرود باختياري كاري خوش باش درين ننفس كه هستي باري

<sup>457.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J.

<sup>458.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Scan chún wáki fiyāy.

Behold, where'er we turn our ravished eyes,

Sweet verdure springs, and crystal Kausars rise;

And plains, once bare as hell, now smile as heaven:

Enjoy this heaven with maids of Paradise!

### 460.

Never in this false world on friends rely, (I give this counsel confidentially,)

Put up with pain, and seek no antidote, Endure your grief, and ask no sympathy!

### 461.

Of wisdom's dictates two are principal, Surpassing all your lore traditional;

Better to fast than eat of every meat, Better to live alone than mate with all!

<sup>159.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J.

<sup>160.</sup> N.

<sup>161.</sup> N. Hadís i ná góyáyīy. The unwritten

چندانکه نگاه میکنم هر سوئي از سبزه بهشتست و زکوثر جوئي صحرا چه بهشت شد زدوزخ گوئي بنشين ببهشت با بهشتي روئي

157

در شعبده خانه عهان یار مجوی بشنو ز من این حدیث و زنهار مگوی با درد بساز و هیچ درمان مطلب با غم بنشین خرم و غمخوار مجوی

411

دو چيزکه هست مايه، دانائي بهتر زهمه حديثِ نا گويائي از خوردنِ هر چه هست نا خوردن به وز صحبتِ هر چه هست به تنهائي

revelations, or traditions, opposed to Qur'án (Koran), the "reading." So srúti is opposed to smriti.

Why unripe grapes are sharp, prithee explain, And then grow sweet, while wine is sharp again? When one has carved a block into a lute,

Can he from that same block a pipe obtain?

## 463.

When dawn doth silver the dark firmament,
Why shrills the bird of dawning his lament?
It is to show in dawn's bright looking-glass
How of thy careless life a night is spent.

#### 464.

Cupbearer, come! from thy full-throated ewer Pour blood-red wine, the world's despiteto cure! Where can I find another friend like wine, So genuine, so solacing, so pure?

<sup>462.</sup> L. N.

<sup>463.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. So Job, "Hast spread the

در باغ خو بد غوره ترش اوّلِ دی شیرین رخه گفت و تلخ چوک آمد می از چه گشت و تلخ چوک آمد می از چوب بتیشه گرکسی کرد رباب وز دیشه چگوئی توکه میسازد نبی

### ٦٢٩٣

داني که سپيده دم خروس سحری هر لحظه چرا هميکند نوحهگري يعني که نمودند در آئينه مشم کز عمر شبي گذشت و تو بيخبري

### 16 4 16

در ده مي لعلِ لاله گونِ صافي بحُشای زحلیِ شیشه خونِ صافي کامروز برون زجام ِمي نیست مرا یکدوست که دارد اندرونِ صافي

sky as a molten looking-glass."

464. C. L. N. A. I. J.

Though you should sit in sage Aristo's room, Or rival Cæsar on his throne of Rúm,

Drain Jamshed's goblet, for your end's the tomb,

Yea, were you Bahram's self, your end's the tomb!

#### 466.

It chanced into a potter's shop I strayed,

He turned his wheel and deftly plied his trade,

And out of monarchs' heads, and beggars'

feet,

Fair heads and handles for his pitchers made!

## 467.

If you have sense, true senselessness attain, And the Etern Cupbcarer's goblet drain;
If not, true senselessness is not for you,
Not every fool true senselessness can gain!

465. N. Jamhúr, a name of Buzurjimihr, Wazźr of Nushirwán. Faghfúr, the Chinese emperor. In line 1 scan Aristŭwŭ, dissolving the long u.

در حکمت اگر ارسطو و جمهوری در قدرت اگرچه قیصر و فغفوری می نوش ز جام جم که گور آخرِ کار گر بهرامی که عاقبت در گوری

1644

در کارگهٔ کوزهگری کردم رای در پایهٔ ٔ چرخ دیدم استاد بها*ی* میکرد دلیر کوزه را دسته و سر از کلّهٔ ٔ پادشاه و از پا*ی گدای* 

FIV

رو بیخبری گزین اگر باخبری تا ازکف مستایع ازل باده خوری تو بیخبری بیخبری کارِ تو نیست هر بیخبری را نرسد بیخبری

<sup>466.</sup> C. N. L. A. I. J. Páya, "the treadle."
467. L. N. Meaning, the "truly mystical darkness of ignorance." See Gulshan i Ráz; p. 13.

O Love! before you pass death's portal through, And potters make their jugs of me and you,

Pour from this jug some wine, of headache void,

And fill your cup, and fill my goblet too!

### 469.

O Love! while yet you can, with tender art, Lift sorrow's burden from your lover's heart;

Your wealth of graces will not always last, But slip from your possession, and depart!

## 470.

Bestir thee, ere death's cup for thee shall flow, And blows of ruthless fortune lay thee low;

Acquire some substance here, there is none there,

For those who thither empty-handed go!

468. C. L. N. A. I. J. Headache, in allusion to the wine of Paradise, Koran, lvi. 17.

469. C. L. N. Ar I. J. Some MSS. read zinhár for

زان بيشتر اي صنم كه در رهگذري خاكِ من و توكوزه كند كوزهگري زان كوزه، مي كه نيست در وي ضرري پركن قدحي بخور بهن ده دگري

## 1549

زينهار كنون كه ميتواني باري بر دار زخاطرِ عزيزي باري كين مملكت حسن نماند جاويد از دستِ تو هَم برون رود يكباري

#### rv.

زان پیش که از جام اجل مست شوی زیر لکد حادثها پست شوی سرمایه بدست ار اینجا کا بجا سودی نکنی اگر تهی دست شوی

zínhár, either will scan.

<sup>470.</sup> L. N. Line 2 is in metre 4. Meaning, "Work while it is day."

Who framed the lots of quick and dead but

Who turns the troublous wheel of heaven but Thou?

Though we are sinful slaves, is it for Thee To blame us? Who created us but Thou?

### 472.

O wine, most limpid, pure, and crystalline, Would I could drench this silly frame of mine With thee, that passers by might think 't was thou,

And cry, "Whence comest thou, fair master wine?"

### 473.

A Shaikh beheld a harlot, and quoth he,
"You seem a slave to drink and lechery;"
And she made answer, "What I seem I am,
But, Master, are you all you seem to be?"

<sup>471.</sup> L. N. A. I.

<sup>472.</sup> L. N.

<sup>473.</sup> L. N. The technical name of quatrains like

# FVI

سازنده کار مرده و زنده توني دارنده اين چرخ پراگنده توني من گرچه بدم خواجه اين بنده توئي كسرا چه گنه نه آفرينده توئي

#### FVI

ای باده و ناب و ای می مینائی چندان بخورم ترا می شیدائی کز دور مرا هر که به بیند گوید ای خواجه شراب از کجا میائی

#### FVM

شيخي بزنِ فاحشه گفتا مستی هر <sup>ل</sup>عظه بدام ديگري پابستي گفتا شيخا هر آنچه گوئي هستم امّا تو چنانڪه مينمائي هستي

this is suwál o jawáb, or murája'at. Gladwin, Persian Rhetoric, p. 40.

If, like a ball, earth to my house were borne, When drunk, I'd rate it at a barley-corn;

Last night they offered me in pawn for wine, But the rude vintner laughed that pledge to scorn.

### 475.

Now in thick clouds Thy face Thou dost immerse,

And now display it in this universe;

Thou the spectator, Thou the spectacle,
Sole to Thyself Thy glories dost rehearse.

### 476.

Better to make one soul rejoice with glee, Than plant a desert with a colony;

Rather one freeman bind with chains of love, Than set a thousand prisoned captives free!

<sup>474.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Note the yás i tankír in kuyé, juyé, and giruyé.

<sup>475.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Compare the Vulgate,

## FVF

عالم همه كر چو گوى افتد بكوئي من مست و خراب خفته بر من بجوئي دوشم بخرابات گرو ميكردند خمّار هميگفت كه ذيكو گروئي

### FVE

گه گشته نهان رُو بکسی نـنْمائی گه در صورِکون و مکان پیدائی این جلوهگری بخویشتن بنْمائی خود عینِ عیانیِّ و خودی بینائی

### FVY

گر روي زمين بجمله آباد كني چندان نبود كه خاطري شاد كني گر بنده كني بلطف آزاديرا دهتر كه هزار بنده آزاد كني

ludens in orbe terrarum," and Gulshan i Ráz, p. 14.

O thou who for thy pleasure dost impart
A pang of sorrow to thy fellow's heart,

Go! mourn thy perished wit, and peace of mind,

Thyself hast slain them, like the fool thou art!

### 478.

Wherever you can get two maunds of wine, Set to, and drink it like a libertine;

Whose acts thus will set his spirit free
From saintly airs like yours, and grief like
mine.

### 479.

So long as I possess two maunds of wine,
Bread of the flower of wheat, and mutton chine,
And you, O Tulip cheeks, to share my hut,
Not every Sultan's lot can vie with mine.

<sup>477.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J.

<sup>478.</sup> C. L. N. A. B. I. J. Chu mané, "of one like me." So in No. 170, (the note to which is wrong.)

#### FVV

گر شادی خویشتن بدان میدانی کاسوده دلی را بغمی بنشانی در ماتم عقل خویش باشی همه عمر میدار مصیبت که عجب نادانی

#### FVA

گر زانکه بدست آید از می دو منی می خور تو بهر محفل و هر الجمنی کانکس که چنان کرد فراغت دارد از سبلت چون توئی و ریش چو منی

#### FUZ

گر دست دهد ز مغزِ گندم ناني وز مي دو مني زگوسفندي راني با لاله رخي نشسته در ويراني عيشي بود اين نه حدِّ هر سلطاني

Vullers, p. 254. Literally, "mustaches and beard."
479. C. L. N. A. B. I.

They call you wicked, if to fame you're known, And an intriguer, if you live alone;

Trust me, though you were Khizer or Elias, "Tis best to know none, and of none be known.

#### 481.

Yes! here am I with wine and feres again! I did repent, but, ah! 'twas all in vain;

Preach not to me of Noah and his flood, But pour a flood of wine to drown my pain!

### 482.

For union with my love I sigh in vain,
The pangs of absence I can scarce sustain,

My grief I dare not tell to any friend;
O trouble strange, sweet passion, bitter pain!

<sup>480.</sup> C. N. I.

<sup>181.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Táuba i Nassúh, a repentance not to be repented of. Nicolas. In line 2, note the

### F1.

گر شهره ،شوي بشهر شر الناسي گر گوشه نشين شوي همه وسواسي به زان نبود گر خضر و الياسي کس نشناسد ترا تو کس نشناسي

## FA

ما و مي و معشوق و صبوح اي ساقي از ما نبود توڊه نصوح اي ساقي تاکي خواني قصّه ِ نوح اي ساقي پيس اَر سبك راحتِ روح اي ساقي

## ۴۸۲

نه سوي وصالِ تو مرا دست رسي نه طاقتِ هجرانِ تو دارم نفسي نه زهره که بازگويم اين غم بکسي مشکل کاري طُرفه غمي خوش هوسي

izáfat dropped after silent he.

<sup>482.</sup> N. These quatrains are called firákíya, and are rare in Khayyám.

'Tis dawn! I hear the loud Muezzin's call, And here am I before the vintner's hall; This is no time for piety. Be still! And drop your talk and airs devotional!

#### 484.

Angel of joyful foot! the dawn is nigh;

Pour wine, and lift your tuneful voice on high,
Sing how Jamsheds and Khosraus bit the dust,
Whelmed by the rolling months, from Tir to
Dai!

### 485.

Frown not at revellers, I beg of thee,

For all thou keepest righteous company;

But drink, for, drink or no, 'tis all the same,

If doomed to hell, no heaven thou'lt ever see.

<sup>483.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J.

<sup>484.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. Tir and Dai, April and December

هنگام صبوح است و خروش اي ساقي ما و مي و كوي ميفروش اي ساقي چه جاي صلاحست خموش اي ساقي بگذر زحديث و زهد نوش اي ساة

## PAIC

هنگام صبوح ای صنم فرخ پی بر ساز ترانه، و پیش آور می کافگند بخاك صد هزاران جم وكي این آمدنِ تیر مه و رفتنِ دي

## PAD

هان تا بر مستان بدرشتی نشوی یا از در نیکوان بزشتی نشوی می خور که بخوردن و بناخوردنِ می کر آلتِ دوزخی بهشتی نشوی

<sup>•485.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. Koran, xvi. 38: "Some of them there were, whom Allah guided, and there were others doomed to err."

# 486.

I wish that Allah would rebuild these skies,
And earth, and that at once, before my eyes,
And either raze my name from off his roll,
Or else relieve my dire necessities!

# 487.

Lord! make thy bounty's cup for me to flow, And bread unbegged for day by day bestow;

Yea, with thy wine make me beside myself, No more to feel the headache of my woe!

# 488.

Omar! of burning heart, perchance to burn In hell, and feed its bale-fires in thy turn,

Presume not to teach Allah clemency,

For who art thou to teach, or he to learn?

<sup>486.</sup> N. This rather sins against Horace's canon, "Nec Deus intersit," &c.

<sup>487.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J.

<sup>488.</sup> C. L. N. A. I. J. The Persian preface states

# 447

یزدان خواهم جهان دگرگون کندي واکنون کندي تا نگرم چون کندي یا نام من از حریده بیرون کندي یا روزي من ز غیب افرون کندي

# 1º1

یا رب بکشا*ی* بر من از رزق در*ی* بی منّتِ <sup>م</sup>خلوق رسان ما حضر*ی* از باده چنان مست نگهدار مرا کر <sup>بیخ</sup>بر*ی* نباشدم دردِ سر*ی* 

# 411

اي سوخته؛ سوخته؛ سوختني وي أتش دوزخ از تو افروختني تاكي گوئي كه بر عُمَر رحمت كن حق را تو لجا و رحمت آموختني

that, after his death, Omar appeared to his mother in a dream, and repeated this quatrain to her. For the last line I am indebted to Mr. Fitzgerald.

## 489.

Cheer up! your lot was settled yesterday!

Heedless of all that you might do or say,

Without so much as "By your leave" they
fixed

Your lot for all the morrows yesterday!

# 490.

I never would have come, had I been asked,
I would as lief not go, if I were asked,
And, to be short, I would annihilate
All coming, being, going, were I asked!

# 491.

Man is a cup, his soul the wine therein, Flesh is a pipe, spirit the voice within;

O Khayyam, have you fathomed what man is?

A magic lantern with a light therein!

<sup>489.</sup> C. L. A. B. I. Predestination.

<sup>490.</sup> C. L. N. (in part) A. B. I. J. So the Ecclesiast, "Therefore I hated life," &c.

# 1419

خوش باش که پخته اند سوداي تو دي ايمان شده از همه تمنّاي تو دی تو شاد بزي که بي تـقاضاي تو دي دادند قرار کار فرداي تو دي

# ٠٩٠

گر آمدنم بمن بُدی نامدهی ور نیز شدن بمن بدی کی شدمی به زان نبدی که اندر این عالم خاك نه آمدمي نه شدمي نه بدمی

# 109

آدم چو صراحي بود و روح چو مي قالب چو ني بود صداني در وي داني چه بود آدم خاكي خيّام فانوسِ خيالي و چراغي در وي

491. C. A. I. Note mé (for mai) rhyming with we; We is Turanian (Bl., Prosody, xvii.), and probably me, pronounced with the Imála (ibid, p. v.), is the same.

## 492.

O skyey wheel, all base men you supply
With baths, mills, and canals that run not dry,
While good men have to pawn their goods
for bread:

Pray, who would give a fig for such a sky?

## 493.

A potter at his work I chanced to see,

Pounding some earth and shreds of pottery;

I looked with eyes of insight, and methought 'Twas Adam's dust with which he made so free!

## 494.

The Sáki knows my genus properly, To all woe's species he holds a key;

Whene'er my mood is sad, he brings me wine, And that makes all the difference to me!

492. B. L. In line 3, I read nih and for nihand, which will not scan. Line 4 is slightly paraphrased.
493. C. L. A. I, J. Note the arrangement of the

# 1297

اي چرخ حمه خسيس را چيز دهي گرمابه و آسيا و كاريز دهي آزاده بنان شب گروگان نه اند شايد كه بر اينچنين فلك تيز دهي

# م وع

بر کوزهگري بزير کردم گذري از خاك هيي نمود هر دم تبري س ديدم اگرنديد هر بي بصري خاكِ پدرم بر كفِ هر كوزهگري

# 460

چون جنس مرا خاصه بداند ساقی صد فصل ز هر نبوع براند ساقی چون وا مانم برسم خود باده دهد در حدِّ خودم در گذراند ساقی

prepositions bar . . . . bazer. Bl., Prosody, xiii. 494. C. L. A. I. A play on terms of Logic.

# 495.

Dame Fortune! all your acts and deeds confess That you are foul oppression's votaress;

You cherish bad men, and annoy the good; Is this from dotage, or sheer foolishness?

## 496.

You, who in carnal lusts your time employ,
Wearing your precious spirit with annoy,
Know that these things you set your heart
upon

Sooner or later must the soul destroy!

# 497.

Hear from the spirit world this mystery: Creation is summed up, O man, in thee;

Angel and demon, man and beast art thou, Yea, thou art all thou dost appear to be

495. C. L. A. I. J. Mu'takif, a devotee.

<sup>496.</sup> L. In line 4, L. writes árĭzúyī with two yas, the second being reflexed under the first. Bl. (Prosody,

1690

اي دهر بكردهاي خود معترفي در خانقه جور و ستم معتكفي نعمت بخسان دهي و زحمت بكسان زين هردو برون نيست خري يا خرفي

# 497

پیوسته ز بهرِ شهوت نفسانی این جانِ شریف را همی رنجانی آگاه نه؛ که آفتِ جان تو اند انها که تو در آرزویِ ایشانی

# rgv

اي اذك، خلاصه ِ چهار اركاني بشنو سخن از عالم روحاني ديوي و ددي و مَلك و انساني با تست هرانچه مي نمائي آنې

p. 12) approves this method. The second  $y\acute{a}$  is the  $y\acute{a}$  is the ti after conjunctive ya.

<sup>497.</sup> L. Man, the microcosm. Line 2 is one syllable short. Should we read Svkhané?

## 498.

If popularity you would ensue,

Speak well of Moslem, Christian, and Jew;

So shall you be esteemed of great and small,

And none will venture to speak ill of you.

# 499.

O wheel of heaven, what have I done to you,
That you should thus annoy me? Tell me true;
To get a drink I have to cringe and stoop,
And for my bread you make me beg and sue.

## 500.

No longer hug your grief and vain despair,
But in this unjust world be just and fair;
And since the issue of the world is naught,
Think you are naught, and so shake off dull
care!

498. L.

499. L. Abrúy, 'honour.'

FINIS.

# 491

خواهي كه پسنديده، آنام شوي مقبول قبولِ خاصه و عام شوي اندر پي مومن و جهود و ترسا بد گوي مباش تا نكونام شوي

# 1099

اي چرخ چه کرده ام نرا راست بگوي پيوسته فگنده مرا در تگ و پوي نانم ندهي تا نبري کوي بکوي ابم ندهي تا نبري آب ز روي

# ٥..

چندین غم ِ بیهوده مخور شاد بزی و اندر ره ِ بیداد تو باداد بزی چون آخرِکار این جهان نیستی است انگارکه نیستی و آزاد بزی

300. L. B. In line 3 scan nésătiyast.

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